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She's ready to lace 'em up

Mayor's niece tweets her intention to try out for local Lingerie Football League expansion franchise ◐ Toronto Triumph to play at Ricoh Coliseum starting in September

Krista Ford, the bench-pressing daughter of Coun. Doug and niece of Mayor Rob, is determined to muscle her way into the Lingerie Football League.

"I like crashing into people," the blond, built linebacker said with a laugh yesterday after word leaked of her intention to try out Saturday for the new Toronto Triumph franchise.

The fact that players wear bras and panties for a mostly male audience isn't fazing the Humber business management student.

"I play beach volleyball in a bikini and kick a soccer ball in a bikini — that (it would be a problem) never crossed my mind," said Krista, who twice was MVP of Richview Collegiate's flag football team and who trained with guys "because I was way stronger than the girls." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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▶ Krista Ford

Cardio. Cause

▶ Dr. Marco Di Buono, director of philanthropy at the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario, leads a spin class at the kickoff event for the 24th annual Becel Heart&Stroke Ride for Heart. The ride is scheduled for Sunday.

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Four more days to go until heart riders take over streets

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Ontario Place offers free admission

If you make it free they will come — in droves.

Ontario Place is celebrating its 40th anniversary by offering free admission all summer long.

It's a move that boosted declining attendance by a whopping 42 per cent two decades ago, drawing 2.4 million people during the attraction's 20th anniversary in 1991.

While a major cleanup and some renovations are currently underway, and with a mega-revitalization announcement expected this summer, the park will open May 21 and extend its open-gate season by two months until Nov. 13.

"The whole idea is that people will come in for free and be inclined to spend more money on the attractions, food and even in the gift shop," said Ontario Place spokesperson Vanessa Somarriba.

Specially ticketed events, such as concerts at the Molson Amphitheatre, Cinesphere, rides and concession stands, will still cost you.

But there will be no charge for going to see the Canada Day fireworks display and a variety of performances on three main stages in free season-long entertainment events.

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▶ Kids ride the Free Fall at Ontario Place.

'How could she be gone in a flash?'

Father of slain Chinese student gives emotional eulogy at funeral

The father of a slain York University international student laid his grief bare yesterday morning at his daughter's funeral, sobbing uncontrollably as he eulogized his only child's "vibrant" and ambitious life.

"The pain in our heart is indescribable, our tears cannot be stopped," said Jianhui Liu, father of Qian Liu, during a service at the Jerrett Funeral Home on Yonge Street just south of Steeles Avenue.

The 23-year-old visa student from China was attacked in her basement apartment near York University and found dead April 15, just hours after her boyfriend in China watched via webcam as she tried to fend off an attacker who appeared at her door.

Brian Dickson, 29, has been charged with first-degree murder.

Speaking in Mandarin through an English translator, Liu struggled through gasps and tears.

"The drizzle outside is like the tears from all her loved ones," he said, adding his daughter "loved Canada, loved Toronto" and was excited about her future.

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▶ A picture of Qian Liu's memorial book.

"What I want to say is that this is such a vibrant life, our daughter had such hope for the future."
JIANHUI LIU, FATHER

"How could she be gone in a flash?" he asked, removing his glasses to wipe his eyes with a white handkerchief.

"We have even thought of joining her," Liu said, describing an overwhelming grief. "But we have to be strong and bring her home" to her grandmother, who could not travel to Canada.

Before the service, Liu and his wife, Zheng Yaru, dutifully shook hands with those who had come to pay their respects.

Eyes downcast and shoulders slumped, they held each other's hands, breaking only to dab their wet eyes. They did not look at their daughter's body, dressed in pink satin in the open casket beside them, and paid little attention to the video screen that scrolled through pictures of their daughter and her artwork.

Dozens of York University students, mostly of Chinese descent, arrived at the service in three buses.

Liu thanked them, and the York University and Chinese-Canadian communities.

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▶ The father of Qian Liu holds a picture of her yesterday while accompanying her in a hearse.

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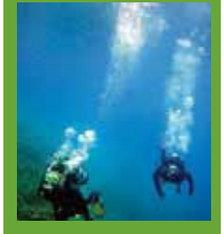

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Rise 'n' shine for William and Kate

Choose a spot to watch them wed tomorrow

About 5,700 kilometres and five time zones separate Toronto from London, England, but that gap won't seem nearly so large for royal wedding fanatics tomorrow.

Even in the pre-dawn hours, local citizens will be up and about, taking in every second of the royal extravaganza.

The ceremony begins at 6 a.m. eastern time (11 a.m. in London), but television coverage begins as early as 2 a.m.

Around the GTA, there are formal and not-so-formal gatherings before, during or after the wedding.

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▶ These students just couldn't resist posing for a photo with cutouts of William and Kate at CTV's Queen Street headquarters.

Come celebrate

- **Fox & the Fiddle,** 27 Wellesley St. E. (416-944-9369) 5:30 a.m. English breakfast plus live telecast of the wedding.
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- **Swansea Town Hall, Rousseau Room, 95 Lavinia Ave.** (416-392-1954) 5:45 a.m. tea service plus live telecast, hosted by Parkdale-High Park Coun. Sarah Doucette. Red, white and blue dress code.
- **T-Buds Uptown Tea Lounge,** 3343 Yonge St. (647-352-3622) 1-3 p.m. full service afternoon tea and fine foods with a custom-made royal wedding tea blend and a life-size cardboard cutout of Will and Kate for picture-taking purposes (some proceeds go the Children's Wish Foundation).
- **Toronto Antiques On King,** 284 King St. W. (416-260-9057) 1-5 p.m. Royal wedding party with high tea. Half of $100 sale price from faux Kate Middleton engagement rings going to charity.
- **Acheson's Gifts And Decorative Accents,** 78 First St., Orangeville (519-940-4719) 5 a.m. complimentary tea, scones and sandwiches. Entry: One food item for food bank.

Cops have 'valid' concerns for missing woman

Homicide detectives have joined the search for a Markham woman who disappeared mysteriously last week.

York Region police said Fang Lin, 40, was last seen last Thursday in Richmond Hill.

Her new purple Porsche Cayenne was found abandoned two days later at a plaza on Highway 7 east of Bayview Avenue at Valleymede Drive.

Detectives huddled yesterday to focus their investigation on finding the single mother, whose disappearance, they say, is out of character.

"We have some concerns … and those concerns are still valid," said Det. Sgt. Chris Dolson.

"There's nothing to confirm one way or the other about her whereabouts."

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▶ Fang Lin

Police say there is no indication that Lin met with foul play. They say homicide officers are simply assisting detectives because she has been missing so long.

Lin is described as Chinese, five-foot-three, with a thin build.

She has shoulder-length brown hair and brown eyes. When last seen she was wearing a black T-shirt, black sweater and black skirt.

Anyone with information can call York police at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7541, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or leave an anonymous tip online at www.1800222tips.com.

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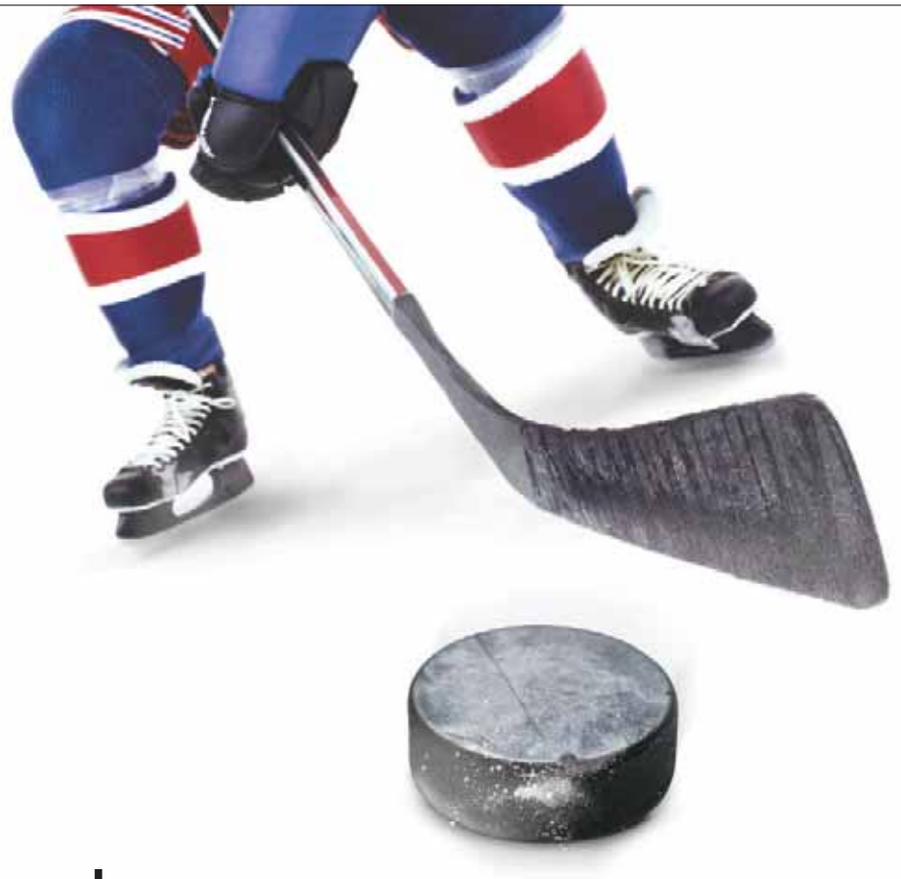

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Anyone-but-Harper crowd goes after GTA

Catch 22 and other groups have been gaining traction through social media this time around

Election 2011

The greeting widens tired eyes outside the Lawrence West subway station in the middle of a rainy weekday morning commute.

"Hi, we're trying to stop Stephen Harper," says a cheery middle-aged man wearing a rain jacket.

Armed with a handful of pamphlets, Nick Fillmore, of the Catch 22 campaign, is trying to convince centre-left voters to help thwart the Harper government's quest for a majority by voting strategically against the Conservative party.

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What it's about

- **Campaign** Catch 22, Nick Fillmore explains, is a campaign asking voters in about 50 vulnerable ridings across the country to abandon weaker competitors and cast their ballots for the contender most likely to defeat a Conservative — even if that contender is not their first choice.
- **GTA** In most GTA ridings, Catch 22 has recommended voting for a Liberal candidate.

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▶ Umberto Pascali, left, and Nick Fillmore of Catch 22, canvas outside of Lawrence West subway station to try to block a Stephen Harper majority by convincing voters to cast their ballot for the candidate most likely to defeat a Tory majority.

New risk for diabetes: Fat and lack of exercise, says U of T doctor

They might appear to be as evident as a bulging belly.

But only now, with the release of new cardiovascular disease and diabetes guidelines, will Canadian doctors be advised explicitly to check for abdominal fat and physical inactivity in their patients when assessing their risks for the ailments.

"Unfortunately, this hasn't happened universally," says Dr. Lawrence Leiter, a University of Toronto endocrinologist who led the 32-member expert panel that drafted the new guidelines.

Leiter says many doctors have long recognized abdominal fat and sedentary lifestyles as key risk factors in diabetes and cardiovascular ailments, and have incorporated them into their normal patient examinations. But others continue to rely solely on traditional risk indicators, which include age, sex, race, smoking, family history, blood pressure and cholesterol levels.

"For the first time we're highlighting the fact that diabetes and cardiovascular disease tend to cluster together in the same patients ... If you see one, think of the other."

DR. LAWRENCE LEITER, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO ENDOCRINOLOGIST

The proposed guidelines, which have already been endorsed by many of the country's most influential medical organizations, will be introduced to individual doctors through future journal articles, seminars and mailings.

Although there is no way to mandate the suggested practice changes, they will likely be adopted by most primary care physicians, Leiter says.

Published in the current issue of the Canadian Journal of Cardiology, the guidelines are accompanied by a new set of online tools to help physicians assess and manage the added risk factors.

The two risks have been linked definitively in recent years to both diabetes and heart disease, Leiter says.

Along with abdominal fat and inactivity, the new guidelines will also call for doctors to screen for insulin resistance levels in their patients, a sentinel signal for type 2 diabetes.

In addition to adding risk factors, the new guidelines encourage physicians to assess diabetes and cardiovascular diseases as intimately related ailments.

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Bus driver charged

Provincial police say the driver of a bus that rolled Tuesday afternoon on Highway 400 in King City has been charged.

Police say there were no passengers on the bus when it went out of control, drove up onto a grass hill and rolled over north of King Road.

Ronald Brace is charged with careless driving.

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▶ Hazel McCallion

Questions resurface over McCallion

The Mississauga judicial inquiry into alleged misconduct by Mayor Hazel McCallion is gathering new information to clarify testimony involving her annual mayor's gala.

"We don't expect there will be further hearings, except as a last resort," commission lawyer Will McDowell said yesterday, explaining why more information is being gathered long after the hearings wrapped up in early February. "We regard this as an exercise in clarifying the evidence so that the final report is accurate."

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He'll sue police over six-week nightmare

Unsellables host Anthony Sayers says business and name damaged

HGTV host Anthony Sayers has given notice he intends to sue the Toronto Police Service for libel and slander after prosecutors withdrew all charges against the "trusty contractor."

Sayers said while he is relieved the charges have been dropped, the last six weeks have been a nightmare.

"A lot of sleepless nights. I was depressed for a while and wondering where my life was going," he said, adding that for 17 years he had been building his business and name. Now, both are damaged.

Co-host of the popular show The Unsellables, Sayers, 41, was arrested last month and charged with extortion, attempted fraud under $5,000 and two counts of criminal harassment.

"There was no reasonable prospect of conviction."
BRENDAN CRAWLEY, SPOKESPERSON FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MINISTRY

Two weeks later, the charge of extortion was dropped, and Tuesday, prosecutors dropped the remaining charges.

According to police, the owner of a home in the Yonge Street and Summerhill Avenue area hired Sayers' general contracting company to finish work begun by another contractor.

But the arrangement ended badly, police say.

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▶ HGTV's Anthony Sayers — the "trusty contractor" — relaxes at his lawyer's Toronto home yesterday. Sayers says he spent a lot of sleepless nights after his recent arrest.

Catholic schools bow to pressure

Ontario's Catholic bishops and school trustees have bowed to pressure to allow clubs that help students bullied because they are gay.

While still not allowing "gay-straight alliances," this marks the first time Ontario's Catholic school system has given the go-ahead to clubs that focus solely on homophobia.

The Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario and the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association ask high schools to let students form groups that address "bullying related to sexual orientation" as early as this fall.

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Officer kept laptops: Prosecutor

When Staff Insp. Steve Izzett was suspended with pay from the Toronto Police Service in 2008, he was required to surrender police equipment.

He didn't produce two service-issued laptop computers, prosecutor Brian Gover told his disciplinary hearing yesterday.

Izzett, 47, is charged with misconduct under the Police Services Act, including allegedly sexually harassing a female officer. He has pleaded not guilty.

The tribunal is now open to the public after adjudicator Keith Hoilett said the identity of the woman officer must remain secret.

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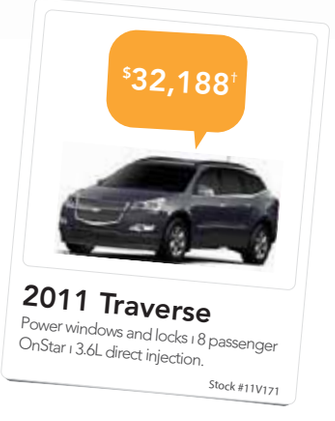

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Afghan military officer kills eight U.S. troops

Veteran pilot opens fire at Kabul airport Gunman's brother insists he was not a Taliban sympathizer

A veteran Afghan military pilot said to be distressed over his personal finances opened fire at Kabul airport after an argument yesterday, killing eight U.S. troops and an American civilian contractor.

Those killed were trainers and advisers for the nascent Afghan air force.

Although the individual circumstances may differ, the incidents of Afghans turning against their coalition partners seem to reflect growing anti-foreigner sentiment independent of the Taliban. Afghans are increasingly tired of the nearly decade-long war and think their lives have not improved despite billions of dollars in international aid.

The Taliban, who are currently staging their opening salvos of the spring fighting season, boasted the gunman in yesterday's airport attack was a militant impersonating an army officer.

This claim did not seem credible, however.

Defence Ministry spokesman Gen. Mohammad Zahir Azimi said the gunman was an officer who had served as a pilot in the Afghan military for the past 20 years. He died in an exchange of fire that followed his attack.

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Coalition attacks

- The shooting was the deadliest attack by a member of the Afghan security forces, or an insurgent impersonating them, on coalition troops, Afghan soldiers or policemen.
- There have been seven such attacks so far this year.

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▶ An Afghan soldier holds his rifle outside a gateway to Kabul's airport following a shooting incident yesterday in Kabul, Afghanistan.

U.S.-led war similar to Soviet invasion: Report

The American-led war in Afghanistan is heading toward an outcome similar to the disastrous Soviet invasion three decades ago, a new academic analysis concludes.

In a paper to be published in the Foreign Policy Review Institute, the authors argue the NATO coalition is repeating the same mistakes that led to heavy bloodshed and the ultimate withdrawal of the Soviet military.

"The Soviet experience shows us the painful mistakes of the past, and we ignore those mistakes at our peril," the authors say.

Among other things, the Soviets gave up trying to combat a rural insurgency in favour of controlling the main population centres and connecting roads.

They also tried to change the unpopular puppet government they had installed, push a reconciliation program, and focus on building up Afghanistan's own security forces.

"The United States is trying to do all of these things again today, as if the Soviet experience never happened," the paper states.

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▶ The final troop withdrawal started May 15, 1988, under Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Authors

- The analysis is authored by Larry Goodson, a professor of Middle East studies at the U.S. Army War College, and Thomas Johnson, a research professor at a Naval Postgraduate School.
- Johnson, who has previously compared Afghanistan to the American failure in the Vietnam War, was an architect of Canada's "model village" approach in Kandahar's Dand District.

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Tiny shoe helps identify Titanic's 'Unknown Child'

Nearly 1,500 died when ship sank **The boy and his family were heading to Niagara Falls, N.Y., for new life**

Carol Goodwin

- **Book** Carol Goodwin, who is related to Sidney Leslie Goodwin, is writing a book about the Titanic's "Unknown Child" and another about the doomed family of Frederick and Augusta Goodwin.
- **Account** Goodwin has said other accounts of the sinking have described the family on deck by saying, "The mother would not leave the father. The children would not leave the parents."

New DNA evidence and a toddler's shoe kept in a drawer for decades have solved the mystery of the "Unknown Child" from the Titanic who lies buried in Halifax.

Sidney Leslie Goodwin, 19 months old, drowned when the "unsinkable" ocean liner sank April 14, 1912, off Newfoundland. With him were his mother, father and five older brothers and sisters, all third-class passengers bound for a new life.

"It was the shoe that tipped it," genetics researcher Ryan Parr, vice-president of Mitomics Inc. in Thunder Bay, told the Toronto Star yesterday.

The shoe, kept in a drawer then given to the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic in Halifax, would have been too big to fit Eino Viljami Panula, a 13-month-old Finnish boy who drowned with his parents.

Using old genetic technology and samples of teeth and bone exhumed in 2001, Parr and other researchers had believed Panula was the child buried under that tombstone in Fairview Lawn Cemetery. But an examination of that tiny leather shoe sent the team of American and Canadian researchers back to the mitochondrial DNA samples.

Initially, the samples narrowed the choice to Panula and Goodwin. This time, the U.S. Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory in Maryland found another marker that pointed, with 98 per cent certainty, to Goodwin.

Sidney's body was found floating, without a life-jacket, five days after the liner hit an iceberg, according to Carol Goodwin, a relative. The boy's aunt was Goodwin's grandmother, and Carol had grown up listening to stories of the Goodwin family perishing on the Titanic.

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▶ The grave marker of the Titanic's "Unknown Child" at the Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Halifax.

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Yemen erupts again

Witnesses say security forces used live ammunition and tear gas to break up crowd of protesters

Yemeni security forces opened fire on a massive anti-government demonstration in Sanaa yesterday, killing 12 protesters and wounding some 190, a doctor at the scene said.

The violence broke out as about 100,000 government opponents filled a landmark square at the epicentre of the uprising, spilling into the streets near the state TV building.

"Many of the dead and wounded were shot in the head and torso," Dr. Mohammed al-Ibahi told The Associated Press.

Yemenis in at least 18 cities and towns launched a civil disobedience campaign yesterday in an escalation of their more than two-month-old uprising to bring down long-serving President Ali Abdullah Saleh. Shops, schools and government offices were shuttered. The closures are planned twice weekly until Saleh steps down, activists said.

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Two months in

Yemenis have staged near-daily protests in a revolt against President Saleh.

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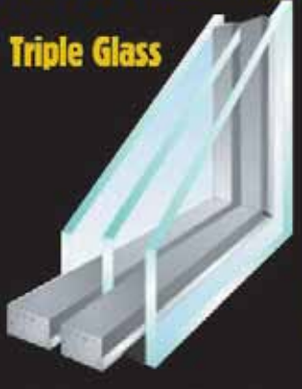

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Look-alikes looking for love

20 William and Kate look-alikes from across the EU get hitched in London Simon from U.K. and Orsola from Italy win the competition

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With just 48 hours to go in the royal wedding countdown, Europe's 10 best Prince William and Kate Middleton look-alikes gathered by London landmark Tower Bridge to find out if they had won the final round of a royal look-alike contest.

Hundreds of entrants from all over Europe entered a competition launched by airline EasyJet, but it was Simon Watkinson from U.K. and Orsola Rossi from Italy who were crowned as the ultimate prince and princess look-alikes. They each won a year's worth of free EasyJet flights.

"I have never thought about being a Kate look-alike until 20 days ago when friends told me I look like the bride-to-be," Rossi, 30, from Milan told Metro.

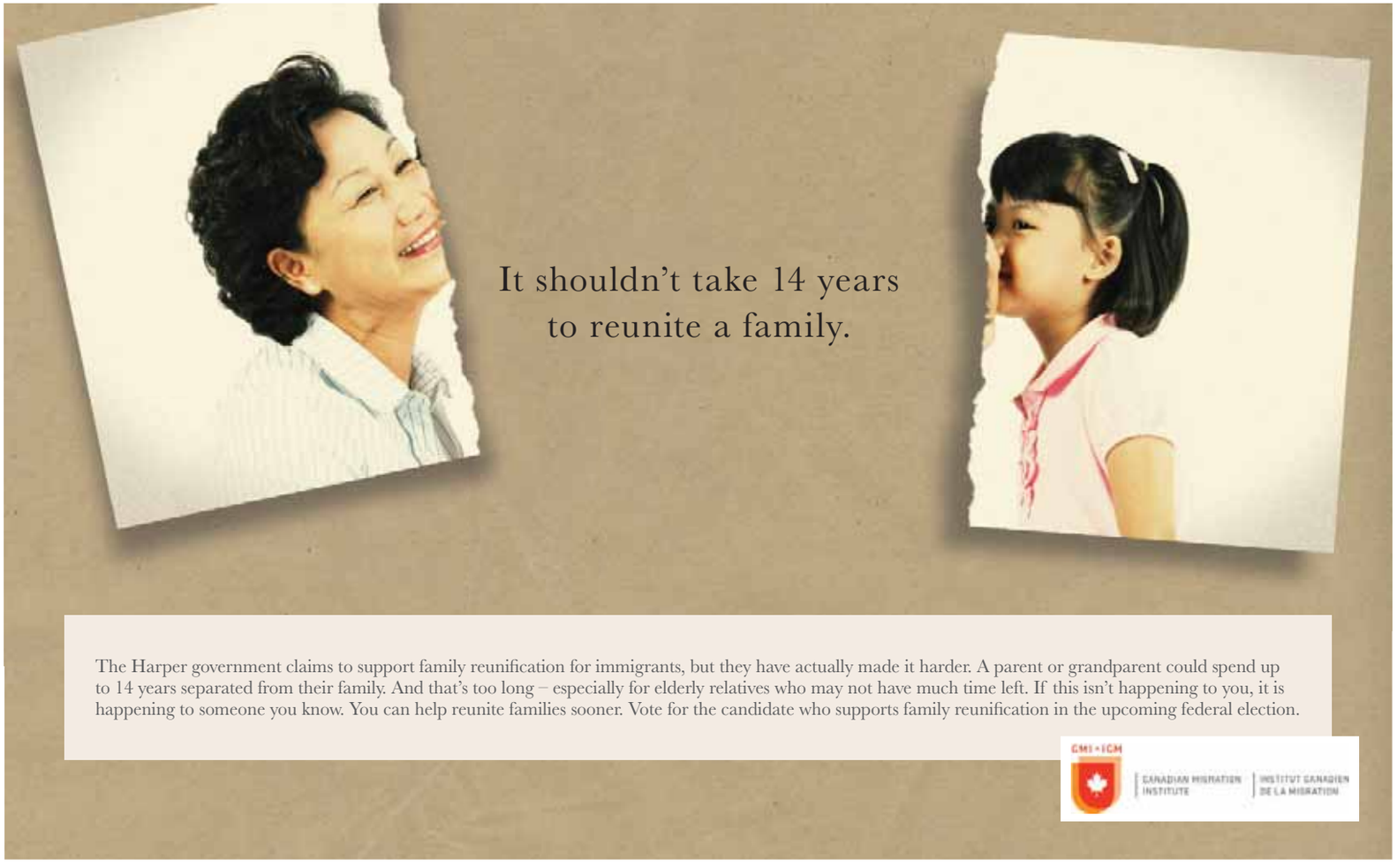
"I don't think I will profit from it, but I really enjoy visiting London and being a Kate look-alike."

"It is unbelievable that many strange people on the streets keep telling me I look like William," said Simon Watkinson, 29, an engineer who now works as a Prince William impersonator and bears the most remarkable resemblance to the future king.

"We all want to be like William. He is a prince and he will marry a beautiful lady."
MANUELE GASPARINI, 30, FROM ITALY

"I think one of the reasons is that William is sort of losing his hair a bit, and mine's receding a little," he added before he kissed a Kate look-alike on the cheek, just like Prince William would do to Kate.

Besides the most similar appearances to Will and Kate, the judges also assessed how the "Kates" threw their bouquets and curtseyed in their wedding dress, and how well the RAF uniform-attired Wills proposed to their brides with one knee on the ground.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▶ Royal look-alikes have descended on London for a competition.

Life as a royal look-alike

While the official royal couple launch boats and visit hospitals, their spitting images have been busier than ever with parties and photo shoots. We spoke to Andy Walker, Prince William look-alike.

When did you discover that you looked like Prince William?

I have had people say it throughout my life but I never really thought anything of it. I certainly didn't think I could make a career out of it.

How busy are you at the moment?

I work a three- to four-day week. Ninety-five per cent is media work, a lot of photo shoots, TV and that sort of thing. I was in a full-time job as a security manager. Since the engagement the demand became so high that I had to give up my job.

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Outed by media boss, he's out of PM's team

A top Tory strategist has left the Harper campaign after a Quebec media mogul outed him for supplying false information.

The Tories have confirmed that Patrick Muttart "has no further role" with Stephen Harper's campaign team.

Sun Media owner Pierre Karl Peladeau took Muttart to task yesterday for supplying false information to the news organization that inaccurately portrayed Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff as a planner of the 2003 U.S.-led invasion of Iraq.

Sun Media recently published a report relying on the leaked information.

Muttart was a key backroom player in Harper's election victories in 2006 and 2008.

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▶ Jack Layton poses with supporters yesterday in Winnipeg.

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Jack dares to dream

‘As your prime minister,’ NDP leader says before cheers drown him out ◗ Layton inexperienced: Harper

Election 2011

One says Sussex Drive, the other Stornoway.

Jack Layton and Stephen Harper don’t agree, naturally, on where the NDP leader will be after Monday’s vote.

But the fact they’re talking seriously about it shows just how much this election has been turned on its ear.

Layton nearly brought the house down in Winnipeg yesterday with a bit of dare-to-dream rhetoric.

“The fact the NDP may be the leading opposition party — that, I think, actually clarifies the choice for Canadians”
STEPHEN HARPER

“As your prime minister,” he began, only to be drowned out by a deafening chorus of cheering.

“Sounds like you like that phrase,” he grinned mischievously.

Beaming, Layton tried it again. The cheering got louder every time.

Harper, campaigning in Waterloo, painted Layton as an inexperienced opposition leader who would seek to topple the Tories should they be denied a majority.

Yet another poll had the NDP advancing.

Ekos Research yesterday had the NDP at 28.1 per cent, firmly in second place behind the Tories at 34, and the Liberals languishing at 22.9.

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▶ Syrian military police carry a coffin at a military hospital yesterday in Damascus, Syria.

Syrian revolt draining

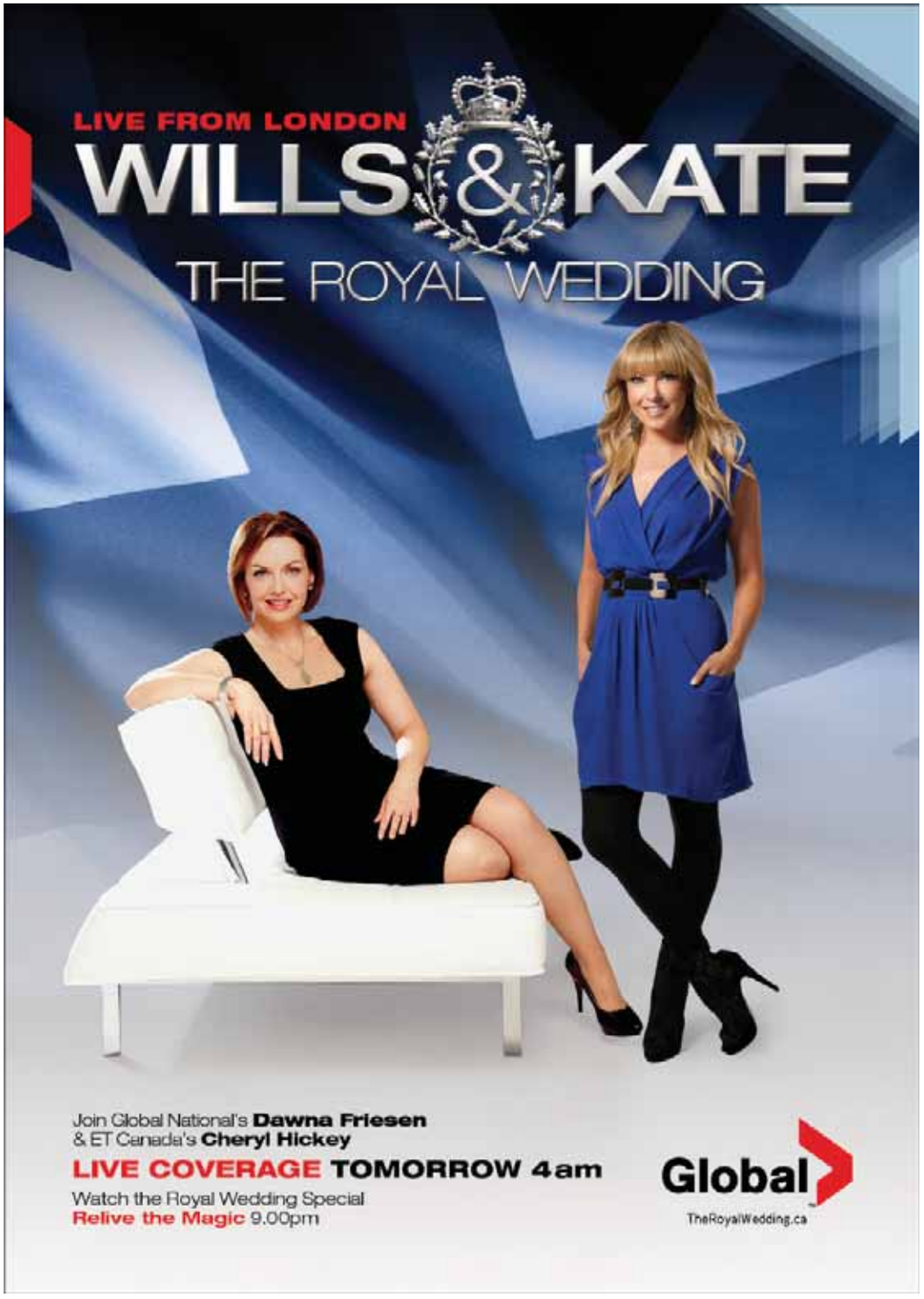
More than 450 people have been killed Situation is 'terrible,' some say

The city at the heart of Syria's month-long uprising ran low on food, water and medicine yesterday as the army sent in more tanks and reinforcements as part of a widening crackdown against opponents of President Bashar Assad's authoritarian regime, witnesses said.

Gunfire and sporadic explosions were heard in Daraa, two days after the military rolled in — backed by tanks and snipers.

"We have no electricity, no water, no telephones and no bread," resident Abdullah Abazeid told The Associated Press by satellite telephone from Daraa, where the uprising began more than five weeks ago. "The situation is terrible."

Assad is trying to crush the uprising that poses the gravest challenge to his family's 40-year ruling dynasty. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Libyan death toll may reach 30,000: U.S.

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▶ Libyans line up with tanks to buy gasoline for their cars in Jadu.

The death toll in Libya after more than two months of violence could reach as high as 30,000, an Obama administration official said yesterday.

Gene Cretz, the U.S. ambassador to Libya, said it is difficult to gauge how many people have died in strongman Moammar Gadhafi's clampdown on protesters and the subsequent fighting between rebels and pro-government forces.

But he said U.S. officials have seen figures ranging from 10,000 to 30,000.

"I don't think we're probably going to get an accurate number until we really get more hands-on experience on the ground," Cretz told reporters at the State Department in Washington. "We just have no sense of the scale of this thing until it's over."

Cretz said the U.S. keeps getting reports of "bodies that have been uncovered on the beach" as it maintains communication with contacts it established when it operated an embassy in Libya.

He also described Libya's Transitional National Council in Benghazi as a "political body that is worth our support," suggesting the U.S. could provide assistance in setting up an alternative government. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Dalai Lama resigns from politics

Exiled Tibetan spiritual leader says it's time for elected leadership

A Harvard legal scholar has been elected the next prime minister of Tibet's government-in-exile, officials announced yesterday, paving the way for new leadership in the Tibetan community as the Dalai Lama gives up political power.

Lobsang Sangay, 43, a lawyer and scholar who has spent years studying international law and conflict resolution, won with 55 per cent of the votes cast by tens of thousands of Tibetans around the world, chief election commissioner Jamphel Choesang said in the north Indian town of Dharamsala, where the exile government is based.

"I view my election as an affirmation of the far-sighted policies of His Holiness the Dalai Lama," he said in a statement on the exile government's website, calling on people to "join me in our common cause to alleviate the suffering of Tibetans in occupied Tibet."

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▶ Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama

U.S. town to limit cock-a-doodling

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▶ Roosters can no longer run free in Hopewell, N.J.

A New Jersey town has adopted an ordinance that regulates when chickens and roosters can hook up in backyard henhouses.

Roosters must show they are disease-free and they better not crow about their conquests.

Hopewell Township residents can have up to a half-dozen hens on half-acre lots. Roosters would be allowed only 10 days a year for fertilization purposes.

Mature roosters are not allowed because they are too noisy. Any roosters that crow too long can be banned from the property for two years.

Mayor Jim Burd told The Times of Trenton the ordinance is a compromise between today's lifestyle and the township's agricultural history. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Superman couldn't stop these thieves

The Man of Steel may have fallen victim to scrap metal thieves in Cleveland.

A historical marker has been stolen near the house where two high school classmates created the Superman character in 1933.

The Plain Dealer newspaper reports the aluminum marker may have been swiped because its colouring led the culprits to think it was bronze, a popular target of scrap thieves.

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Protesting. Canada's seal hunt

▶ Israeli environmental activists and International Anti-Fur Coalition members hold signs protesting against Canada's seal hunt yesterday during a demonstration in front of the Canadian Embassy in Tel Aviv, Israel.

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Part of our culture or inhumane?

About 50 activists demonstrated outside the Canadian Embassy in Tel Aviv yesterday in protest of seal hunting. The sign in Hebrew reads: "It hurts the seals like it hurts me."

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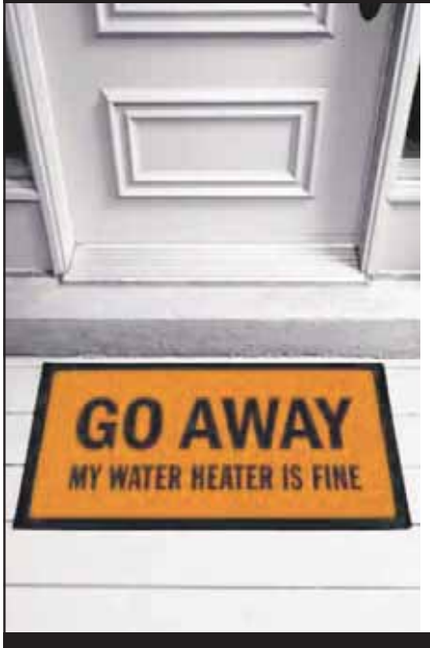

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Obama all giggles over 'silliness'

'Birthers' are group who doubt U.S. President Barack Obama's birth place and therefore doubt legitimacy of his presidency Family of doctor who delivered Obama 'blown away' their family helped bring Obama into world

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▶ U.S. President Barack Obama laughs in the White House yesterday as he speaks to reporters about the controversy over his birth certificate and true nationality.

U.S. President Barack Obama produced his detailed birth certificate from Hawaii yesterday, hoping to finally crush persistent claims he was born outside the United States.

In a nationally televised statement from the White House he said, "We do not have time for this kind of silliness."

Obama made his birth certificate public before he was elected in 2008, proving his birthplace and constitutional eligibility to be president.

Below Obama's mother's signature was one that appeared to read: "David. A. Sinclair."

Sinclair delivered babies all over Hawaii when Obama was born in 1961, said his son, Karl Sinclair. The doctor died in 2003 at 81.

The family of the Honolulu doctor say they're honoured to learn that the late obstetrician delivered him. Relatives of Sinclair told The Associated Press yesterday they were "blown away" and "honoured."

Opponents who created the issue, known as "birthers," were recently joined in their campaign by potential Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump.

Trump congratulated himself when confronted by reporters.

"He should have done it a long time ago. I am really honoured to play such a big role in hopefully, hopefully getting rid of this issue," Trump said.

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SOUNDING OFF ON MOVIEGOERS

HE SAYS ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE
METRO

It's time for summer movie season, where the action is fast, the sound is explosive, and the people are idiots.

I used to see lots of movies in public during the summer months. But then I realized the public will be there, so I stopped. Way too many of my memorable movie-going experiences have nothing to do with the film.

Consider:

Life Is Beautiful: Two elderly women could not keep up with the subtitles, largely because they were reading them out loud. When there was a time jump after a love scene, they expressed confusion about where the amorous couple had found a young boy.

The Blair Witch Project: A young woman sitting behind me talked in equal measure about how scared she was and how she had absolutely no idea what was going on. At one point, she saw that one of the characters had a rip in his jeans and squealed, "What does it mean?!"

Contact: The movie starts with a long, beautiful shot of the noiseless vacuum of outer space, which led people throughout the theatre to yell, "Something's wrong with the sound! Hello? HELLO?!"

People like this used to make me angry, but I have recently realized it's not their fault. The fault lies with our whole attitude toward blockbuster movies, especially during the summer season of "event" films, which are required by law to contain a constant mix of bosoms, explosions, and/or zombies.

"Why would anyone want to make themselves willfully stupid? It's ridiculous but everybody thinks it's OK, which is why movie theatres hold so many blatherers, cellphone users and seat tappers."

Most of these movies suck, but if you say that, then somebody will inevitably say, "Just turn your brain off and enjoy it." I hate that.

Watching a bad movie must be the only human endeavour where dumbing yourself down is considered acceptable. Imagine if you were eating spoiled lasagna and a friend said, "Just turn your brain off and revert to a dog-like state where the meat causes you joy."

Why would anyone want to make themselves willfully stupid? It's ridiculous but everybody thinks it's OK, which is why movie theatres hold so many blatherers, cellphone users and seat tappers.

I see now that these are all normal people — who during their day-to-day lives have minds and manners and children who love them — but who during movies "turn off their brains" so they can enjoy the ride.

And that's why I avoid seeing blockbusters in public. Because if I didn't, I might become the next summer-movie mindless zombie. If that ever happens to me, you know what to do ...

Read more of John Mazerolle's columns at metronews.ca/hesays

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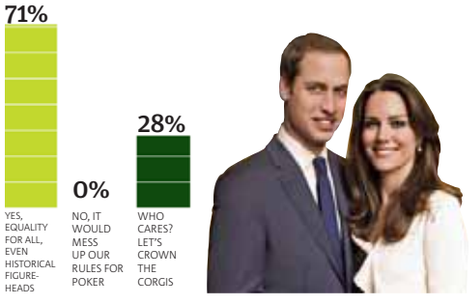
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Local tweets

- **@mike__dog:** I will cut up your food into perfect bite sized pieces at every meal you have while in Toronto for tix @danawhite #illdoit4tix #ufc
- **@clientkm:** Great headin to Toronto tonight and 401 Eastbound at Guelph line closed!!!! Can someone order me a spaceship pls
- **@yolandafields:** I'm amused at the fact that the Canucks and their fans seem to think they've won the cup already. It'll be so sweet if Preds eliminate them.
- **@ghostfaceknitta:** Currently rocking the drowned rat-look that's so hot on the streets of Toronto these days.
- **@djbally:** Hmmm Tornado risk in Toronto ... That may explain the sideways rain.
- **@reelrapsfan:** it was soo beautiful today and now there's a thunderstorm!? oh mother nature #calmbeforethestorm
- **@madamleung:** My house looked as if it just went through a car wash. That was an immense amount of rain! Toronto CHILL!

Letters

Re: Breaking up ain't hard (metronews.ca)

OTTAWA. As a young woman living in Ottawa Centre, I was personally insulted by the comments made by Helen Friel (Ottawa-Centre Conservative candidate Damian Konstantinakos' campaign office manager), in which she suggested that women dislike Stephen Harper simply because we don't find him "charming."

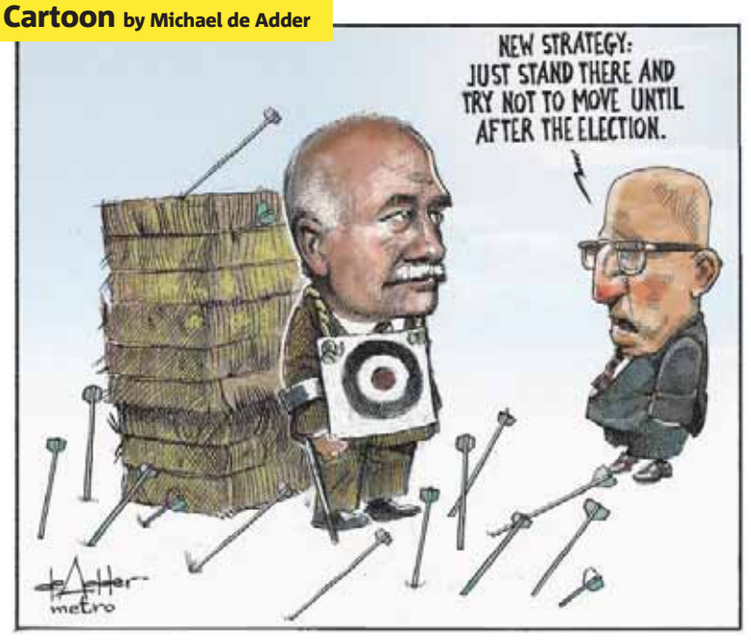
It is exactly this patronizing mentality demonstrated by the Conservative party that deters women such as myself from supporting them.

I feel that Friel's comments imply that women lack the capacity to make rational informed decisions, a stereotype that women have been fighting for years — a fight that has perhaps become more difficult since the Harper government cut funding for women's advocacy by 43 per cent.

Other cuts have included the closing of 12 out of 16 Status of Women offices, and the scrapping of our progressive Court Challenges program.

Yeah, I guess we don't find those things "charming." **GLENNYS EGAN**

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



WEIRD NEWS

Her golden locks needed protection

Romanians are known to be security conscious, but when the parliament speaker was accompanied by six security officers funded by the taxpayer to the hairdresser, some considered it too much.

Click, a daily newspaper, reported yesterday that Roberta Anastase was guarded by six officers who waited for her outside the hairdresser's during a recent three-hour appointment.

Roberta Anastase

Anastase, who was crowned Miss Romania in 1994, is the third most important person in the Romanian state hierarchy and is legally entitled to around-the-clock security, the Romanian parliament said, responding to the article.

Political commentator Cristian Teodorescu questioned whether Anastase needs 17 guards, which are tasked for her round-the-clock protection. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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LTE NETWORKS

Rogers pulls a fast one

Rogers Communications Inc. will roll out an even faster wireless network this year to serve its mobile phone and laptop users, beating rival Telus in the race to have the fastest network.

Long-Term Evolution networks, which are coming into use globally, offer mobile users the equivalent of a home or office Internet connection. LTE service is three to four times faster than Rogers' existing network, chief executive Nadir Mohamed told an annual shareholder meeting yesterday in Toronto.

Vancouver-based Telus will introduce its own LTE network next year. Montreal-based Bell has announced it's also testing the technology but hasn't said when it will launch its network.

LTE is expected to reach Canada's top 25 markets by the end of 2012. Devices that run on LTE networks are just starting to be sold to consumers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market moment

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Air Canada Express finally takes wing

Montreal-Toronto service could cause flap with rivals Porter, WestJet

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▶ COO Ben Smith stands next to a Bombardier Q400 aircraft yesterday in Montreal as Air Canada announced resumption of service between Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport and the Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport.

Air Canada's rebranding of its regional service is set to take flight Sunday with the launch of Air Canada Express service between Montreal and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport.

Sky Regional will begin contracted service with five slightly used Q400 aircraft. But the fleet of 120 Jazz planes owned by Chorus Aviation will gradually get new colours as they come in for maintenance, as will the 15 new Bombardier Q400s on order.

Non-unionized Sky Regional is one of several small carriers that have contracts with Canada's largest airline. It has 30 flight attendants and 30 pilots.

"In the U.S. and in Europe, a lot of big airlines use multiple carriers for their regional feed."
BEN SMITH, AIR CANADA CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER

Ben Smith, Air Canada's chief commercial officer, said bookings for the new service are running as planned. About 60 per cent of passengers are expected to be corporate customers.

To compete with Porter Airlines, which also operates from the Toronto island airport, the new service will also offer beverages and food. And passengers will have the flexibility to fly into the island airport, but out of Pearson International.

In addition to creating a unified regional service, Air Canada is looking at the viability of a low-cost carrier and is holding discussions with its labour unions. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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HAIL TO KING OF

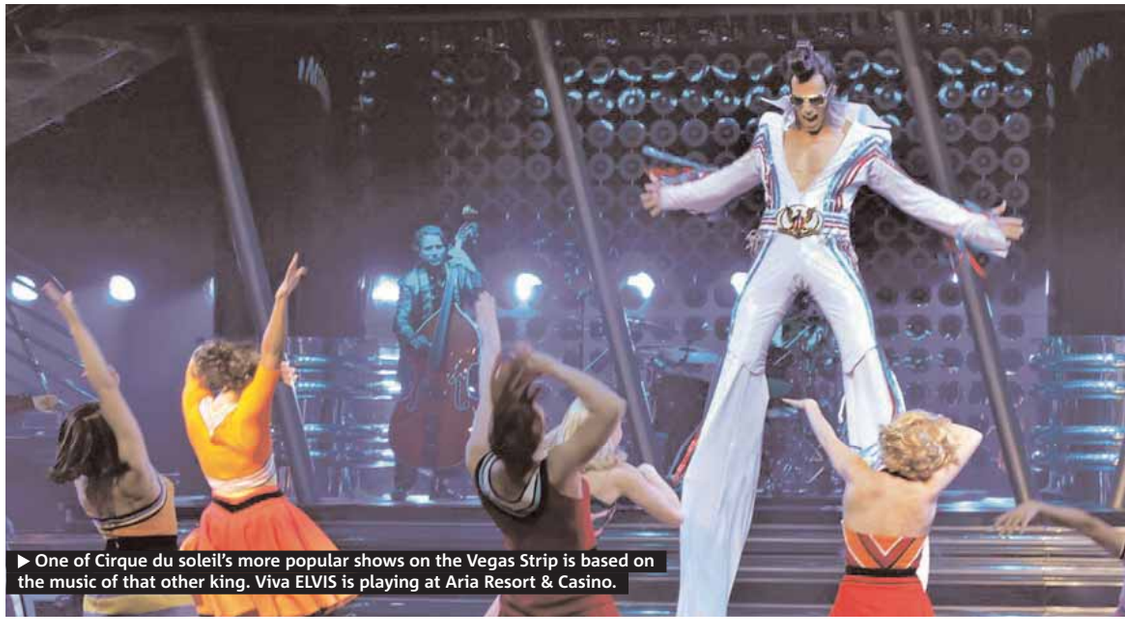
Cirque du soleil show about Michael Jackson to headline Vegas
Lounge and museum planned

Cirque du soleil plans to make the Las Vegas Strip the permanent home of its Michael Jackson attractions over the next two years.

Daniel Lamarre, president of the Montreal-based troupe, announced plans yesterday that include an interactive memorabilia museum dedicated to the King of Pop, a Michael Jackson-themed lounge and a permanent show featuring dancers and his music at the Mandalay Bay hotel-casino.

Lamarre described the plans while talking about a Sin City stop on a $57-million US show, titled Immortal, due to kick off in Montreal in October. The 90-minute show is based on excerpts from Jackson's classic music videos, such as Thriller, Beat It and The Way You Make Me Feel, with no specific performer representing the singer. Immortal also features as-yet-unreleased songs that Jackson finished before his death in 2009. The show will tour 30 other cities.

Cirque du soleil was founded in 1984 in Baie-Saint-Paul, Que., by two former street performers, Guy Laliberté and Daniel Gauthier. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



▶ One of Cirque du soleil's more popular shows on the Vegas Strip is based on the music of that other king. Viva ELVIS is playing at Aria Resort & Casino.

YouTube gurus cook up another startup

The creators of the world's most popular video site have acquired Delicious, a content-sharing service from Yahoo Inc.

Delicious will become part of Avos, an Internet startup founded by Chad Hurley and Steve Chen, who have set up headquarters near the San Mateo, Calif., office where they started YouTube in 2005. They sold YouTube to Google Inc. in 2006 for $1.76 billion US.

Yahoo decided late last year that it would either close or sell Delicious. The financial terms of the deal announced yesterday weren't disclosed.

Avos says it is working on ways to help people navigate the torrent of information from Internet services, but they didn't say how it intends to do that. Avos did not respond to requests for an interview.

"We see a tremendous opportunity to simplify the way users save and share content they discover anywhere on the web," Hurley said in a statement.

Delicious, started in 2003, provides a forum for sharing web bookmarks to "tasty" information. The service will remain in its current form until July, according to information on its website.

There were no further details on how it might change after that. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Chad Hurley and Steve Chen say Delicious will evolve as part of its new company, Avos, but they won't say how.

Paydirt pals

▶ **Chad Hurley and Steve Chen** met while they were working at PayPal, now owned by eBay. YouTube's sale made them both wealthy. Hurley received 735,000 shares of Google stock that were worth about $350 million US when the deal closed. Chen got 625,000 Google shares worth about $300 million US at the time.

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A wild and crazy Guy

Cirque du soleil founder Guy Laliberté was born in Quebec City in 1959. His interest in show business began early when his parents took him to the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus.

After finishing school, he eked out a living as a street performer in Quebec, later joining a troupe of fire breathers, jugglers and acrobats.

At one point he took a job at a hydroelectric dam, but it ended when workers went on strike. Laliberté took it as a sign to return to street performing. **METRO**

BP set to resume Gulf drilling

BP expects to be back drilling in the Gulf of Mexico — where a rig explosion last year killed 11 men and caused the biggest offshore oil leak in U.S. history — in the second half of this year.

In comments following an earnings report, in which the company said net profits rose 16 per cent in the first quarter, BP PLC officials said they have applied for drilling permits.

The costs of the spill pushed BP to make numerous asset sales, which boosted net profits in the first quarter to $7.2 billion.

But replacement cost profit, a measure closely watched by analysts to indicate an oil company's health, fell two per cent as higher charges from the spill overrode the benefits of a rising crude oil price. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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iPhones track hot spots, not users: Apple

Report raised privacy concerns **Apple plans software fixes so data is no longer stored for up to a year**

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Apple Inc.'s iPhones do not store a record of their users' movements for up to a year, the company said yesterday. Rather, they store a list of Wi-Fi hot spots and cell towers in their general area.

The company promised software fixes to address privacy concerns raised last week after a report from researchers Alasdair Allan and Pete Warden at a technology conference in Santa Clara, Calif.

The data in question, downloaded from Apple, help the phone figure out its location without having to listen for faint signals from GPS satellites. That means navigation applications can present the phone's location faster and more accurately, Apple said.

The data are stored for up to a year because of a software error, the company added. There's no need to store data for more than seven days, and a software update in the next few weeks will limit the amount of data in that file.

The iPhone will also stop backing up the file to the user's computer, a practice that also raised some concerns. Computers are much more vulnerable to remote hacking attempts than are phones.

Apple said that while iPhones regularly transmit their location to Apple, they do so only anonymously, and the company isn't able to track users.

It can also transmit a user's location to companies that buy ads through Apple's iAds advertising system, but only if the user approves.

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iPhone 4 U

- **Apple's long-delayed** white iPhone 4 goes on sale today in Canada for $199 US or $299 US depending on the model. The company had hoped to make the phone available last year, but said it proved more challenging to produce than expected.
- **The iphone 4 can be** ordered online (apple.com) or purchased at Apple stores and authorized Apple resellers.

Western outlook is best

Canadians — especially westerners — are feeling better about their economic prospects, the Conference Board says.

The think-tank's consumer confidence index rose four points to 87.7 this month, largely due to improved job prospects and willingness to make large purchases. While an improvement over March, the reading is still well below pre-recession levels.

Not in the West, however. In British Columbia, confidence surged 17.7 points to 108.9, and in the Prairies it rose 7.1 points to 105.9 per cent.

By comparison, the index stands at 76.2 per cent in Ontario, 81 in Quebec and 88.1 in Atlantic Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Marilyn' hotel to get makeover

A Canadian developer has won a bid for a landmark hotel in downtown Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Jamil Kara of Vancouver outbid 10 others who qualified for Tuesday's auction of the 76-year-old Hotel Niagara.

Kara, who bid $1.25 million US, says he plans to convert the 12-storey building into a boutique hotel with condominiums.

The hotel is viewed by officials as a key to revitalizing the city. Its guest list included actress Marilyn Monroe, who stayed there in 1952 while filming the movie Niagara.

Kara has been involved with real estate projects across Canada.

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▶ From left: Rihab Chaieb as Tisbe, Donato DiStefano as Don Magnifico and Ileana Montalbetti as Clorinda in the Canadian Opera Company production of Cinderella (La Cenerentola). While the vocals are important to an opera, the make-up and costumes are key to setting the mood of the show.

Transforming Cinderella

A great opera needs many talented people working behind the scenes, especially talented hair and make-up artists like Suzie Desjardins

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With so much emphasis placed on vocals, it's easy to forget that opera is a form of theatre that includes a story, sets and of course elaborate costumes. And no one in Toronto is more aware of this than Rihab Chaieb and Ileana Montalbetti who endure a half-hour of makeup for each performance to transform themselves into the evil step sister's in the Canadian Opera Company's take on Rossini's Cinderella.

"It's tight," says Montalbetti about the 30 minutes budgeted for the change. "Half and hour is so much time but this one is tight."

Both Montalbetti and Chaieb have their make-up administered by Suzie Desjardins, one of the Company's hair and make-up artists. Desjardins sits them down individually in a stark room next to their dressing rooms inside the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, facing a mirror stereotypically lit by a phalanx of round light bulbs.

"It helps to get into character," says Chaieb. "You see the transformation."

After getting a hairnet in place, Desjardins applies a layer of foundation to their faces on which she'll build the rest of their look.

"I think of the face as a canvas," she explains as she applies bright streaks of rouge to Montalbetti's cheeks.

The finishing touches are the eyebrows, which get highlighted with heavy dark lines and beauty mark, which Desjardins describes as "the rhombus." Though artfully applied, both performers can feel the gobs of makeup on their faces, "especially on the lips and eyebrows," says Chaieb.

Next come the wigs: Montalbetti gets hot pink and Chaieb bright yellow. The large bouffants are pinned down to the hairnet with six to eight hairpins, supported by a layer of glue, which is applied along the hairline. The final result is stunning. Two regular young ladies instantly become day-glo drag queens. Or as Chaieb describes, "It's like we're not even women."

Not like Disney

Differences between Rossini's Cinderella and the better known Disney version:

- There is no magic involved in the story.
- Instead of a Fairy Godmother, there is a philosopher and tutor to the Prince named Alidoro.
- Cinderella is specifically scouted for the Prince by Alidoro.
- The Prince Charming character is called Prince Ramiro.
- The wicked stepmother is replaced by a stepfather, Don Magnifico.
- A bracelet, rather than a glass slipper, identifies Cinderella to the Prince.

2 scene

Scene in brief

Steven Tyler says he wasn't the only Aerosmith member who was abusing drugs in recent years. In an interview with Rolling Stone, Tyler says he and Joe Perry did drugs together in 2008 after years of sobriety. Aerosmith had been working on a new album, which never developed.
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The art of being an animated actor

Panettiere tells of the joys of acting out new things ◗ Hoodwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil opens tomorrow

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With her latest movie, Hayden Panettiere may now boast that she's portrayed Little Red Riding Hood but the actress insists that's not where her interest in fairy-tale characters ends.

"Every girl would kill to play Cinderella or Sleeping Beauty or Snow White," said Panettiere during a recent phone interview from Manhattan. "There are infinite possibilities."

Best-known for her role on TV's Heroes, Panettiere leads an ensemble voice cast in Friday's release of the animated-sequel Hoodwinked Too! Hood Vs. Evil — an irreverent comedy that places Red Riding Hood as a butt-kicking operative of the HEA (Happily Ever After) agency. When Hansel and Gretel mysteriously disappear, she heads out with her fabled family to rescue the missing tots.

"It's a little more risqué (than the first movie) but in a very well-thought through way," said Panettiere. "It's one of those films where the humour will translate to kids and also to adults. Some jokes will probably go over kids' heads but the adults will definitely appreciate it."

No stranger to voice acting, Panettiere hit the stage at age four where she soon lent her vocal talents to such animated classics as 1998's A Bug Life and 2000's Dinosaur.

In fact, while her other pursuits (she currently also stars in Scream 4) are taking off, the 21-year old star insists she'll always keep animation opportunities in mind.

"With voice-acting, it's this different kind of acting where you don't have to have your physicality to convey emotion, it's just your voice," said Panettiere. "There's no such thing as being over-the-top or too goofy so you love it. Then seeing your voice come out of an ant, a lemur, Little Red Riding Hood — it's cool."

Humour

Hayden tells Metro her favourite joke.

Quote: "I think the giant at some point says, 'who in the Mother Goose is that?'", explained Panettiere of her favourite gag in the film. "You get what it means but its twisted a little bit and these more fantasy-driven ways of explaining (dialogue) — it's clever!"

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▶ Hayden Panettiere stars in Hookwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil

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Watson: A different kind of pirate

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▶ Paul Watson is the subject of a new documentary that is airing at Hot Docs in Toronto.

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Paul Watson is simultaneously one of the most controversial and respected figures in the environmental movement.

A founding member of Greenpeace, the Canadian activist quickly left the organization because he objected to their non-violent and bureaucratic policies.

He now dedicates much of his time to hunting down and frequently crashing into Japanese whaling vessels to stop their nefarious practices, regularly risking his life to save animals in danger. Making a documentary about Paul Watson was no easy task and required equal fearlessness from the filmmaker simply to accompany him on his missions. But that's exactly what director Trish Dolman did for Eco-Pirate: The Paul Watson Story.

"I don't know why I never feared for my life, but I definitely had those conversations with some of my crew," the director told Metro.

It took Dolman eight years to make the documentary due to the physical demands of the shoot and controversy surrounding Watson.

"I think that amount time was an advantage," admitted Dolman.

"I struggled with how to make a film about him. It took me a long time to figure out my point of view and how not to just make this an obvious hero or villain piece so that we could reach more than just Paul's followers."

The final film is a balanced portrayal that acknowledges the huge impact Watson made and continues to make on the environmental movement without ignoring his flaws.

"Environmental activists exist to remind us of things that we might not see and create social change," explained Dolman.

"Paul's feisty and he pisses people off, but I think that's his role in society and there are very few people doing what he is doing. So I respect that."

Hot Docs

▶ Eco-Pirate: The Paul Watson Story is being shown as part of the Hot Docs film festival. It screens Sunday, 6 p.m., at the TIFF Bell Lightbox theatre and Tuesday, May 3, 1 p.m., at the Cumberland. For ticket information go to hotdocs.ca.

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One royal may be getting married but there are still many princes and princesses for you to chase after

Prince Harry

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Prince William is off the market but that doesn't mean you can't still find your own prince charming. We have picked a few eligible princes and princesses.

Henry Charles Albert David of Wales, 26

Who:
Prince Harry of Wales is the younger brother of Prince William and is third in line of the British throne.

Dating history:
The prince has had an on-off relationship for the past five years with Chelsy Davy, the daughter of a millionaire safari operator in Zimbabwe.

Eligible?
Harry got a reputation as the rebellious royal when he was caught smoking cannabis and drinking at the age of 17. The red-haired prince charming has served in the Afghan war and is a good catch — if you can get him away from Chelsy. **5 / 6 stars**

Prince Carl Philip Edmund Bertil, 31

Who:
Prince of Sweden. Carl Philip is second in line to the throne.

Dating history:

YES YES YES

still eligible royals

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▶ Prince Philip Edmund

Prince Carl Philip dated PR executive Emma Pernald for 10 years until 2009. He has been linked with glamour-model and reality star Sofia Hellqvist since 2010.

Eligible?

Carl Philip has been a lieutenant in the Swedish Navy, he studied graphic design, is a gifted skier and is passionate about motor sports. Combine all this with the looks of Orlando Bloom. **6 / 6**

▶ Princess Charlotte Casiraghi

Charlotte Casiraghi, 24

Who:

The granddaughter of Grace Kelly. Casiragi is the second child of Princess Caroline of Monaco and Stefano Casiraghi and fourth in line to the throne of Monaco.

Dating history:

Since 2007 she has dated the London art gallery owner Alexander Dellal, 27.

Eligible?

The beautiful girl has no princess-title but is still in line to the throne.

▶ Price Rashid

She is mad about horses and fluent in French, Italian and English.

She is also a published writer and magazine editor.

You may have to be quick if you are interested because there have been rumours of an engagement between her and boyfriend Alexander Dellal. **5 / 6**

▶ Princess Sirivannavari

Crown Prince Rashid, 28

Who:

Second-oldest son of the Dubai Ruler and appointed to be the next emir in February 2008.

Dating history:

Unknown.

Eligible?

Who doesn't want to date a romantic prince? Now is your chance: Crown Prince Rashid is a poet and he writes romantic and patriotic poetry under the name 'Fazza'. In his spare time, he is passionate about cars, horses and camels. **6 / 6**

Princess Sirivannavari, 24

Who:

She is the granddaughter of the world's richest monarch, Thailand's King Bhumobol Adulaydei.

Dating history:

Unknown.

Eligible?

The Thai princess is into sports and fashion.

She is an excellent badminton player and has played for the national team.

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Giving inspiration to a Lion King

Toronto director helps bring life to the hit musical inspired by Disney movie Timeless story still resonates

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While the film that inspired it has joined a long line of animated classics in the Disney vault, the musical version of the Lion King still dominates 14 years after its original premiere.

Its longevity can be chalked up to many factors, including, the wild mix of puppetry, masks and African music that creator Julie Taymor originally envisioned. But the musical, playing at the Princess of Wales Theatre through June 12, also owes its long run to people like associate director John Stefaniuk.

"It's a story that touches everyone," says Stefaniuk.

By the numbers

- **54 Million:** People who have seen the musical
- **70:** Awards the show has won around the world
- **25:** Different animals represented in the show
- **14:** Countries in which the show has played
- **8:** Productions currently running

"The prodigal son has to go out and make it on his own before he's accepted back at home."

A native Torontonian, Stefaniuk had interviewed to direct a previous Toronto to run in 2001. Instead, the reigns of the London, England production was handed over to him. Three years ago he was promoted to his current position.

Seven productions of the show run concurrently with an eighth opening in Madrid this fall, and Stefaniuk, along with the associate music director and choreographer, oversees them all. This finds the trio on the road nine to 10 months a year,

"Your job is about trying to inspire,' he explains. "You only have small windows of make sure it's telling a story and make sure it's maintaining the original vision of the show."

But creating cookie cutter productions isn't the goal, he insists. "It's about trying to get the very best out of the company that you've cast." Each member has their strengths in the theatre, be it acting, singing or dancing.

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▶ Torontonian John Stefaniuk, seen here with Whoopi Goldberg, is the associated director of The Lion King, which is playing at the Princess of Wales through June 12.

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Lohan remorseful for mistakes over the years

With a 120-day jail sentence looming, Lindsay Lohan is owning up to her past mistakes and hoping to turn her life around.

"I've made a lot of poor decisions in the past and I'm dealing with the consequences of those decisions," she said during an interview with Jay Leno. "I know that I have to work to gain the respect back and I'm willing to do the work that I have to do to follow through with being an actress because that's what I love."

But more than anything, she wishes the public would focus on her work more than her troubles.

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▶ Daniel Radcliffe

Harry afraid of playing Harry

There is one thing that seriously scares Daniel Radcliffe: playing Harry Potter again.

The actor panicked last October when series author J.K. Rowling told Oprah Winfrey she could write more books about the boy wizard.

"I was worried! I texted her. I said, 'Look, is this true? Are you writing another book?'" he tells Celebuzz. "She wrote back that she was so pleased with my performance in Harry Potter 7: Part 1 that as a reward, she promised to never write another book about Harry."

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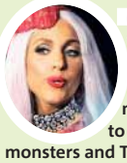

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Since her engagement to Prince William, the pressure has grown on Kate Middleton to become a style superstar But is she really ready to be a trendsetter?

Is Kate Middleton a fashion icon?

KENYA HUNT
METRO WORLD NEWS

Look back at the evolution of Kate's style over the past nine years or so, it's clear that her appearance hasn't changed much.

It remains to be seen whether Kate will take up the challenge to become Britain's sartorial ambassador. It's technically not part of a First Lady's job description to promote the fashion industry. But if she does, she'll need someone in her corner to help her navigate the minefield of worst-dressed lists and discriminating editors. Then again, with rumors persisting that Middleton will wear Alexander McQueen on her wedding day, maybe she's already found that person.

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Bold beginnings
Kate Middleton models on the catwalk at a student fashion show attended by Prince William, on March, 26, 2002 in St. Andrews, Scotland.

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Pretty in peacock
Kate smiles as she visits Greenmount Agricultural College on March 8, 2011 in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

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Burberry Brit
Kate attends Harry Meade & Rosie Bradford's wedding at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul on October 23, 2010 in Northleach near Cheltenham, England.

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She loves her lavender
Kate attends the wedding of Nicholas van Cutsem and Alice at The Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks on August 14, 2009 in London, England

3 life

Barbie Girl

Meet the new Catherine Middleton doll! Unlike many of the other gifts cashing in on monarchy mania, this children's toy has some winning features like the glossy mane of hair, Issa style dress, the fascinator... It's very Kate-like and she's fashionably thin! RICHARD PECKETT

Royal bride Kate Middleton can look at previous UK royal gowns for inspiration.

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As royal fans await Kate's grand bridal reveal

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Letizia Ortiz, Spain
Letizia, 32, married Spanish Crown Prince Felipe de Bourbon on May 22, 2004 in Madrid. Letizia was dressed as a true royal wearing an off-white gown with a flowing silk veil and a 4.5 metre train, and she finished off the look with a platinum tiara.

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Noor bint Asem, Jordan
Princess Noor, 22, married her second cousin Prince Hamzah, 24, on May 27, 2004 in Amman, Jordan. The wedding was considered low key and Noor wore a white lace dress and a white lace mantilla covered her head. The couple had a daughter in 2007 but the marriage didn't last. In March 2010 a divorce was publicly announced.

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Sayako Kuroda, Japan
Princess Sayako's wedding in 2005 was more than a celebration of two people's love for each other. Dressed in a simple white wedding dress and pearls, Sayako Kuroda gave up her royal status as princess when she married Yoshiki Kuroda, a Tokyo city employee. This was the first time that an emperor's daughter married a commoner and lost her royal status.

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Mary Donaldson, Denmark
Australian-born Mary Donaldson married Crown Prince Frederik of Denmark on May 14, 2004, in Copenhagen Cathedral. Mary was wearing a long-sleeved white duchess satin gown created by Danish designer Uffe Frak and an antique veil when she married her teary-eyed crown prince.

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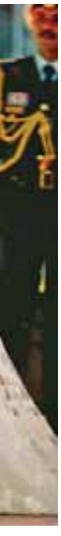

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Sarah Pengiran Salleh, Brunei
At the age of 17, Sarah Salleh married Bruneian Crown Prince Al-Muhtadee Billah Bolkiah on September 9, 2004 in Brunei. The bride was dressed in radiant blue and the glittering traditional Malay ceremony was attended by royalty and politicians from around the world. After the ceremony the couple went for a drive in a specially-customized gold Rolls-Royce.

Maxima Zorreguieta, Holland
Crown Princess Maxima Zorreguieta was wearing an ivory Valentino couture gown when she married Dutch Crown Prince Willem Alexander in Amsterdam on February 2, 2002. She had a train inset with embroidered flowers and a tiara made especially for the big day: the base was taken from one owned by Queen Emma, and the stars from one owned by Queen Wilhelmina.

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Lalla Salma, Morocco
Lalla Salma, a 24-year-old computer engineer, married King Mohamed VI of Morocco at the royal palace July 13, 2002 in Rabat, Morocco. The bride was dressed in a traditional Moroccan robe of white, embellished with gold-threaded trim. She also wore a diamond tiara and drop earrings. For centuries, Morocco's monarchs had a tradition of keeping their royal wives hidden but the king broke those traditions by publicly acknowledging his bride.

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The dress that dazzled the world

Metro catches up with Elizabeth Emanuel, designer of the late Princess Diana's wedding dress

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As the Royal wedding date approaches, speculation is mounting about which designer is secretly putting the finishing touches to Kate Middleton's dress. It was exactly the same when designers David and Elizabeth Emanuel were creating Lady Diana Spencer's famous wedding dress.

The design of her dress was to be so top secret that they created a second 'stunt' dress for her to wear in case the design was leaked. Metro met with Elizabeth Emanuel to learn more about what it was like trying to keep 1981's biggest secret.

What lengths did the press go to in order to try to get their scoop?

The press staked out the studio, they rummaged through the rubbish bins and continually called using lines like, 'Their jobs were on the line and if they didn't get the information, they'd have to pull their kids out of school and they'd be forced to move!'

How did you keep the dress safe?

There was no Royal protocol, no contracts, no secrecy rules but we made a completely different spare dress, and we had a safe delivered to keep the dress in, which was interesting. We hoped no one would notice but there were

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▶ Diana's bridal gown

about 400 people watching and we couldn't get it through the door, so we it had to hoik it up through the first floor window. It was a complete fiasco.

How was it when Princess Diana visited the studio?

Mostly she came alone but sometimes she came with her sister, bridesmaids or mum and we all sat on the

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▶ Designer Elizabeth Manuel

floor and looked at sketches — it was all quite informal. We did a lot of research on royal wedding dresses and she went through our rail and there was one style that looked really nice on her that looked frighteningly close to what we actually did.

How did you decide on a 25 foot train (7.62 metres)?

Well, we did some research and it said somewhere the longest Royal train to date was 23 feet (7.01 metres), so we decided to go the extra two feet.

What accessories did you produce?

We made an overskirt in case Diana spilt anything as well as a parasol and the shoes. We carried smelling salts. We also did small things like put a heart on the hanger and a little blue bow inside the dress — you know the saying, 'something borrowed, something blue...'

How much did you charge for the gown?

We charged a thousand guineas ($1,600 CDN) for the dress and the bridesmaids' dresses. But in reality it was a lot of work and it didn't really cover it. I would have done it for nothing but my Dad said, 'It's not right you saying have it for nothing'.

How did designing the dress change your life?

We were propelled into a different sphere. We made a perfume, bed linens and a copy of the dress for Madame Tussauds, on Diana's request. The dress set new bridal trends because it broke away from traditional styles.

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This Moroccan Vegetable Soup is the perfect vegetarian dish to serve on a cool spring night.

Traditionally finished with a spoonful of harissa, a spicy North African chili sauce, the soup can also be heated up with a few dashes of hot sauce if you like.

Preparation:

1. In large saucepan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add onion, parsnips and sweet potato; sauté about 5 minutes or until slightly softened. Stir in garlic, ginger, coriander, cumin, paprika, salt, pepper and cayenne.
2. Add tomatoes and broth; cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for about 20 minutes or until parsnips and sweet potato are tender.
3. In blender or with immersion blender, puree soup as smooth as you like. Return to pan. Add chickpeas and heat through, about 3 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in spinach until wilted. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ FOODLAND ONTARIO**

Ingredients:

- 1 tbsp (15 mL) oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 parsnips, chopped
- 1 large sweet potato, peeled and chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) minced fresh ginger
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) coriander
- 1 tsp (5 mL) each ground cumin, paprika and salt
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) each pepper and cayenne
- 1 can (28 oz/796 mL) diced tomatoes (undrained)
- 4 cups (1 L) vegetable broth
- 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 2 cups (500 mL) baby spinach, stems removed

THE CANADIAN PRESS HO

Greek Quinoa Salad

Quinoa, which is dubbed "the mother grain" for its nutritional qualities, is featured in this fresh Greek salad.

Preparation:

1. Place quinoa in mesh sieve and rinse well under running water; drain and set aside.
2. In pot, bring broth to a boil and add quinoa. Stir, reduce heat to low, cover and cook for 20 minutes or until broth is absorbed. Fluff with fork into bowl. Add tomatoes, pepper, cucumber and parsley.
3. In bowl, whisk oil, vinegar and garlic. Drizzle over quinoa and vegetables. Season with salt and sprinkle with feta cheese. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ CASBAH QUINOA**

Ingredients:

- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) quinoa
- 750 ml (3 cups) vegetable broth
- 1 container grape tomatoes, halved
- 1 sweet yellow pepper, chopped
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) English cucumber, chopped
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) flat-leaf parsley, chopped
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) olive oil
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) apple cider vinegar
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- Salt, to taste
- Crumbled feta cheese

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According to RealNet Canada Inc., BILD's official source of new home market intelligence, there were 3,434 new homes and condos sold in March 2011 and a total of 9,374 units sold from January to March.

First quarter sales were down a modest 8.5 per cent year/year, but true to form, the condo sector kept pace with 2010 sales levels.

RealNet Canada President George Carras points out that highrise sales held pace with Q1/2010 thanks in part to the $75,000 price differential compared with lowrise.

The current highrise price index sits at $446,965 compared with $522,034 for lowrise product. For the record, those index prices are up 6.4 and 6.5 per cent, respectively, over the last 12 months.

According to Carras, the high cost of lowrise living is directly related to land supply constraints.

"Active new home inventories are well below the long-term average levels," Carras stated, noting that as of the end of March, there was only a 5 ½ months' supply of new, lowrise homes available.

"You can't sell what you don't have," Carras bluntly added.

Underscoring Carras' point, it's very interesting to note that 57 per cent of all new home sales so far this year have been highrise in form, which is the highest quarterly market share ever recorded.

While new housing demand remains very strong, the interplay of factors like the shortage of lowrise land, combined with the new mortgage financing rules, is keeping the froth factor at bay, which is not a bad thing in my mind.

The healthy supply-demand tension in the system has produced what I'm calling a state of 'sustainable equilibrium' in the new housing market.

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Wallpaper is back in vogue

Latest papers are more durable, washable and easier to remove **Rich colours, metallic sheens are hot**

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I am old enough to remember my aunt's dining room with red flocked-velvet wallpaper — how I loved to go to her house and touch the velvety walls.

I am also old enough to remember going to her house as a young man and helping to remove that wallpaper. I remember thinking to myself that after all the spraying and scraping in the summer heat, I would never put up wallpaper ever again in my lifetime.

They say what goes around comes around and I guess that holds true even with awful things like flocked wall coverings.

Wallpaper is coming back in vogue again and there have been some substantial improvements; papers are more durable, washable and much easier to remove to change our walls with the latest fashion of the day.

Just like when I was a boy, velvet wallpapers, beautiful, rich colours and metallic sheens are emerging as trends again. Somehow, they're looking a bit fresher and more fashionable than I remember.

Special paint primers help create better adhesion from paper to wall and allow the paper to be removed more easily, without damage to the wall surface below. Choose a primer that matches your preference of using oil or latex paints on your walls.

When measuring for wallpaper, remember that you should always buy 20 per cent more than what you measure for. This will allow for matching up patterns and making sure you have a tiny bit extra.

Removing wallpaper from a properly primed wall is quite easy. When working with a paper wall covering you can spray on a special solution to soften the paper and loosen the glue; the paper should peel off easily.

If working with a vinyl covering or a wall that has not been properly primed, a small tool that perforates the paper will help get the solution in behind and loosen the glue. Within just a few minutes, the paper should be ready to peel off the walls.

There's an old designer secret to making smaller spaces appear visually larger: Add larger prints to fabrics, drapes, art and rugs (items that don't take up any physical space in a room). The larger print gives great impact.

The big trend in wallpaper right now is large prints for impact, but beware — most of the prints are overscaled traditional designs that help mock the tinier patterns of years gone by.

Look for colours from fashion — teal, pink, chocolate brown and grey are just a few you'll see on walls this season.

Where to use wallpaper:

Front foyer: Go bold and dark. Wall coverings with shine, texture and strong colours add impact to a small entrance space. Hang a large mirror and add a show-stopper hanging light and you'll have all the drama you need.

Behind a headboard: Go light or dark depending on the overall decor of the room. A focal wall of paper will make the bed look more important and add pattern or colour that you might have been afraid to choose in the headboard, bedding or draperies. If your overall look is light and airy, then choose a paper that blends and vice versa.

Small dens or guest rooms: Be dramatic and cover all four walls to create an infinite look to the room. Paint the ceiling the same background colour as the wallpaper to make the room feel larger. If matching fabric is available, upholster the furniture to create a seamless designer look with wallpaper, paint and fabric.

Side projects

- **Wallpaper** the front of dresser drawers with leftover wallpaper to create a custom look in a room.
- **Wallpaper** a boring slab door with a large-scale, punchy-coloured paper to help add vertical art to a neutral room.
- **Add wallpaper** to the inside of a china cabinet or closet. Use bright colours, such as orange or fuchsia, to add a pop of surprise and wake up your tired china and crystal.

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Forget about carnations

This Mother's Day, impress her with gifts from the garden – from hanging vases to botanical dishware

For a lot of moms, the urge to nurture extends to plants and flowers. So for Mother's Day, instead of getting her a traditional floral arrangement that lasts just a few days, consider other options for or from the garden.

If mom spends some of her happiest hours in her backyard garden, you might sign her up for Plantjotter.com's online organizer. With no special downloads or software required, the site allows gardeners to create a personalized web page with info about what they've planted, to-do schedules, photos and wish lists. Monthly tips and ideas are offered specific to your grow zone.

HGTV.com has started an interactive family gardening club: Each month, there's a new how-to project, such as building terrariums, pizza gardens or topiaries, which parents and kids can do together. You can upload video and photos, and get a biweekly newsletter.

Or add accents to mom's garden. At Uncommongoods.com, find Tyson Weissin's charming Koi fish ceramic garden ornaments. Fired in several colours including cobalt blue, a school of these placed along a pathway or nestled among some grasses would be quite arresting.

This spring, West Elm introduced Shane Powers' no-maintenance, indoor garden collection, perfect for a modern mom with little time or inclination to tend plants but who enjoys a few touches of nature in her living space. Hanging glass bubble vases and ceramic vessels hold plants such as air ferns, water lilies and succulents.

If mom loves cut flowers, consider PlantationDesign.com's set of Amaretto vases, formed out of deliciously liqueur-like glass swirls. Crate & Barrel has the Evelyn vase, made of softly folded glass, as well as Millie, Kiki and Marisol, all hand-etched with charming designs. Also find a quartet of green, enamelled, bird-motif wall tiles, nice on a patio fence.

Sur la Table has a fresh-looking Botanical dishware collection out this spring that features a happy, modern floral pattern on snowy-white, dishwasher-safe ceramic.

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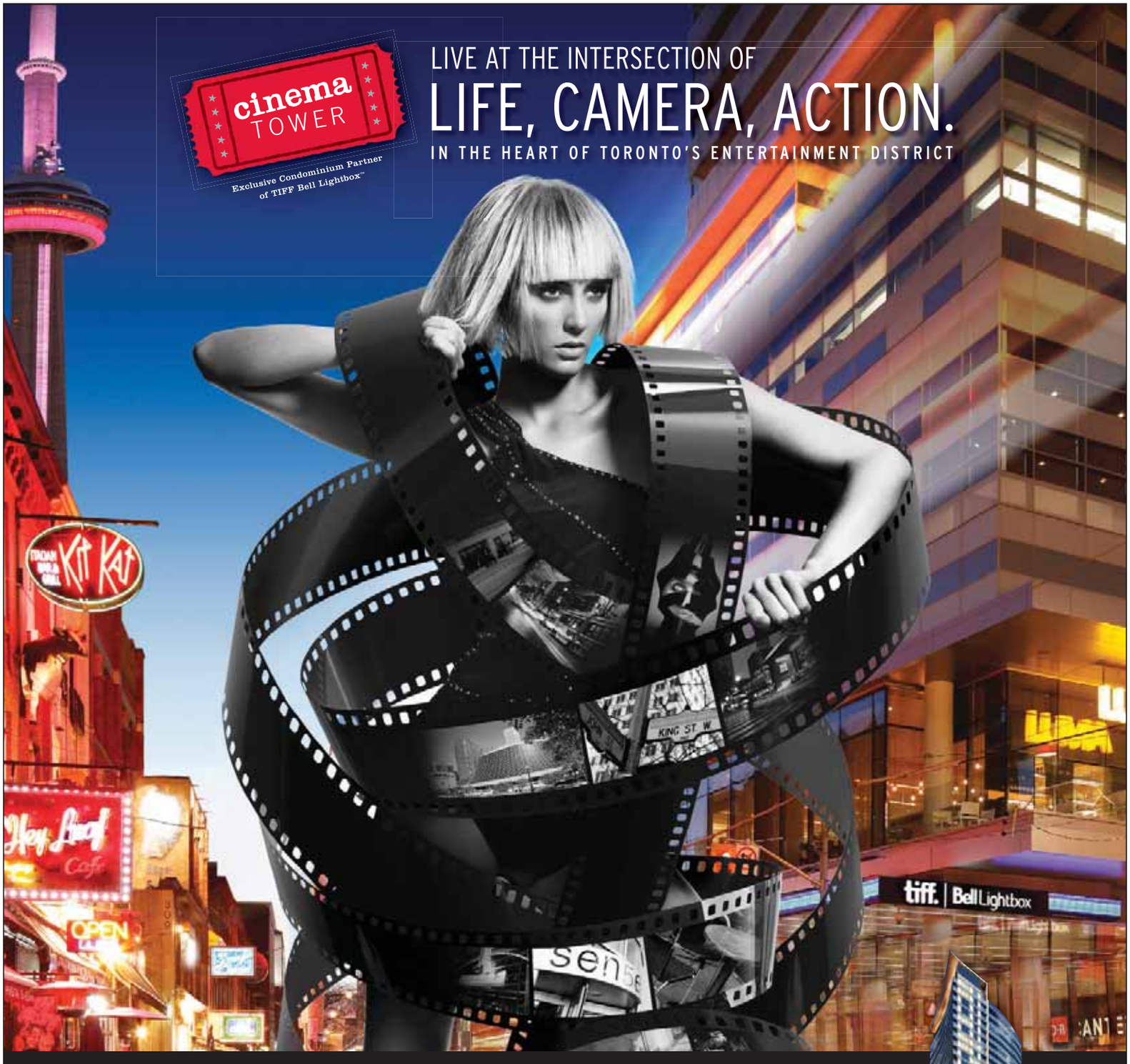
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Install a TV mount in 5 steps

If you want to get that home theatre experience you don't have to hire an expensive technician Here's how to do the job yourself, in only a few hours

DIY IDEAS

Thinking of mounting your flat-screen LCD, LED, plasma or 3-D TV on the wall?

Wall mounting is a great way to get your home theatre looking fabulous, and it's an easy do-it-yourself project that can be done in just a couple of hours.

Here are the basics of a typical mount installation project.

1. Select a location on the wall where you want the TV to hang. Mounting a TV at eye level will help to avoid neck and eye strain.

2. Use a stud finder to locate wood studs in the wall.

3. Attach the mount to the back of your TV using the holes provided by the TV manufacturer.

4. Pre-drill holes into the wall studs using the mount's wall plate as a guide. Secure the wall plate to the studs.

Note: If your walls are concrete or brick, insert a concrete anchor into each drill hole until it's flush with the wall.

If your wall has metal studs, ask the mount maker if they offer adapter kits — most do.

5. Attach the mount (with the TV attached) to the wall plate.

Your installation may have slightly different requirements.

Remember to follow the manufacturer's directions for proper mount installation.

For help selecting a compatible wall mount for your TV, ask your local electronics retailer for their suggestion.

Or, try one of the many online mount finder tools available, such as the one from mount manufacturer Sanus (which is available at sanus.com).

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Tips for a spic-and-span start to spring

The arrival of spring means it's time to really clean up.

If you've kept up with housework, it will only take a few tasks to have your home fresher. Here are some insider tips.

Whether you have a fireplace or furnace, keeping everything closed up over the winter can leave drapes and carpets smelling musty.

Dry-cleaning draperies and washing the windows will make a huge difference.

Be sure to move furniture away from the walls to wipe down the baseboards where dust clings.

"Start up high cleaning — don't fight the law of gravity in that things fall down," says Patrick Irwin, president of Windsor Home Cleaning in Ottawa.

"The things people miss are above our level and below our level." Dust and dirt will fall, he says, so "do the floors last."

Move furniture away from the walls to wipe down the baseboards where dust clings, says Stephanie Legros, owner of Sort it Out Cleaning in Dartmouth, N.S. For big jobs with lots of windows, she prefers a product called BonAmi. "It cleans like nobody's business — and fast," she says.

But for small jobs, Legros has a recipe of vinegar, a little rubbing alcohol, dish soap and water.

For kitchen cabinets and their built-up grime, use a good degreaser and wipe it off with a damp cloth. A degreaser restores wood to its original look. Pay lots of attention to appliance handles where dirt really sticks.

Do-all cleaning kit

- "Have all your supplies and equipment ready — don't be racing around and getting prepared because you'll waste time," suggests Patrick Irwin, president of Windsor Home Cleaning in Ottawa.
- "And, do one room at a time — don't jump around with the vacuum and the mop. In one room alone you'll probably do 30-40 different routines, and you won't remember what you've done."

It might be a good idea while you're in the kitchen to clean out the freezer and get rid of food that has been there for a year. For the dishwasher, one of Legros' tricks is to use orange Tang crystals, run through one cycle, to clean it.

While showers, tubs and sinks are part of regular cleaning, you'll need to remove shower curtains and scrub them down. Cloth curtains are usually fine to wash in the washer. Replace the plastic liners if they are grungy.

Shake out and air carpets. A portable steam machine does a good job at spot-cleaning stains. Or spread the rug on the deck, and scrub with laundry soap and water, then hose down.

Front and back doors have probably taken a beating from wet salty boots, so clean thoroughly: door frame, screen door, and along the wall.

To remove pet odours, sprinkle baking soda on carpets, then vacuum. You can add a few drops of essential oil to the baking soda first for a fresher smell.

Replace or wash furnace filters, and remember to turn the ceiling fan to counter-clockwise to push air down and create a stronger draft.

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So what to use?

Stephanie Legros' Magic Cleaning Kit:

- Lightweight, powerful vacuum with reusable bags.
- All-purpose concentrate for cleaning everything (for example, a bottle of Simple Green can be diluted with water).
- Cream cleanser (such as Vim). Use a degreaser for the kitchen, a cream cleanser with bleach for sinks and tubs and a floor cleaner for wood, tile and laminate floors.
- Powder cleanser for tiles, old tubs and toilets as well as removing marks on old linoleum.
- For glass cleaner, if you have sensitivities to chemicals, try one of the new biodegradable all-natural cleaning products with essential oil fragrances (Mrs Meyers, mrsmeyers.com.)
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▶ Getting rid of last year's garden waste is the first step to making your outdoor space ready for spring blooms.

How does your garden grow?

Think of your lawn and garden like an outdoor living room Compost is the best natural product to help your garden come back from winter sleep

With spring finally in the air, it's time for a few garden pick-me-ups.

GARDEN

To start with, gently rake your garden free of leaf mulch, and dead branches — exposing the soil helps warm it up.

"But don't walk on any grass when the frost is still coming — wait until your lawn or garden has dried up," says Joan Johnston, owner of Peter Knipple Nursery in Ottawa.

Then, give the beds a nicely defined outline by digging a small trough along the edge of the garden, using an edger, which is a half moon blade with a long handle. Next, mulch with a good quality product.

Bob Sanford, who owns Clean Cut Property Services in Enfield, N.S., recommends "a good quality black double ground – it smells nice and makes any colour of shrub stand out." Work it into the soil with a three-pronged cultivator or garden trowel, and don't cover the shrub's crown.

Add any compost you've been cooking over the winter as a natural fertilizer. If you don't have a compost pile, check the municipality for compost giveaway days. Prune last year's perennials to make way for new growth (appearing from the root crown). Consider waiting until there is bud growth "so you can see what's going to grow, and what's not," Sanford says.

LAWN

Rake first to remove branches, leaves and gravel. Check for moss, which Sanford says can be remedied with lime (using a spreader), which won't kill the lawn.

Once a year, it's important to aerate the lawn (poke it with holes) using a metal-pronged aerator. Every second year, Sanford suggests re-thatching the lawn.

You can either use a regular garden rake, a thatching rake, or Sanford's favourite — a power blade on the mower.

"It tears up the lawn, looks awfully like a mud racetrack," he says. But with proper fertilizer, and warm weather, the lawn will be beautiful.

He says it's more effective to promote new grass than to kill weeds with fertilizer.

If you can't resist fertilizer, and the municipality won't allow chemicals, go organic.

Sanford recommends Milorganite (human waste). Used just before rainfall — to dissipate the smell — he swears it will "green up a lamp post, and what it does to the lawn is incredible."

It's also safe for kids and pets.

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Poke away

- Remember that once a year, it's important to aerate the lawn (poke it with holes) using a metal pronged aerator.

Outside clean

- Clean the eaves to allow rainwater to flow freely out
- Patch cracks in walks and retaining walls with cement (comes in bags or tubes)
- Pressure wash bricks, windows, trim, doors, concrete, vinyl siding, driveway and deck floor
- Check mortar between bricks, including those below the grassline.
- You can DIY a few holes, but anything more should be tuck pointed by a brick mason.
- Cracks in the cement foundation should be checked by a mason, though small ones can be fixed with products such as Quick Plug.
- Determine if the trim needs painting. Pick a dry day – or week – to sand, prime and paint.

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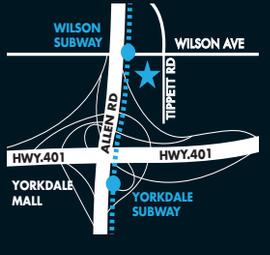

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Looking to chase winter out of your home? Choose spring colours Metro offers a few tips to bring spring into every room in your home

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Fresh cut blooms are the perfect way to bring spring warmth into any room.

It's time to bring the outside in with colour, fragrance and decor!

It may just be starting to feel like spring outside, but the new season is fully upon us. If you can't wait for the warmer days to arrive, speed things up by bringing spring inside your home.

• Fresh cut flowers bring a spring feel into any room. Hints of bright colours such as red, orange and yellow tulips make a big impact.

"Daffodils, freesia, irises, all those kinds of things that we associate with spring flowering are also a good idea," suggests Maggie Clarke, a florist with Fine's Flowers Ltd. in Ottawa. "Generally you can buy them in various stages of development. But it's good to buy them young so that the flower stems are just coming through the earth and to watch them grow and develop."

Put them where you least expect them such as in the bathroom or the kitchen. It will make the room feel seasonal and inviting.

• Another way to bring flowers in is to cut some from trees and put in water to force the blooms.

• Outdoor scents in the home help make it feel like spring, too. A lemon-scented cleaner or candles with a crisp linen or grassy scent can be a great way to bring an outdoors feel to a room.

Even on a cold day, opening the windows for a few hours will get air circulating, says Sappho Griffin, co-owner of HenHouse, a Halifax home decor store.

"Go out and do your grocery shopping, hang out your duvet on the clothesline, freshen that up, and then come home and close your windows," she says.

• Change window dressings, rugs, and slipcovers to natural fabrics like linen, cotton and sisal that look natural and feel good to the touch. Popular colours to use are bright greens, neutrals like grey and white, and colours with a naturally faded, or 'worn,' look such as light blue or coral.

• Consider repainting trims, mouldings, and baseboards as a quick and easy way to make the room look better.

• Polypropylene indoor/outdoor rugs are a flexible way to bring colour into the home. Although they are synthetic material, these rugs can be put anywhere from a kitchen or mudroom floor to a deck or wharf. Even when it's not that warm out yet, seeing a light-coloured mat on the deck makes you feel like spring.

• In areas that don't have windows such as bathrooms or hallways, try using mirrors or light colours. Or wallpaper can provide a light touch to the room, too.

• Lastly, don't forget the yard. Give the grass and beds a good raking so that new flowers don't have to compete with old leaves.

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Open up

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Planting and growing your own herbs is fun — and an easy way to make any recipe healthier. Herbs also make a great border around flowers in any container or garden.

Choose herbs that you use regularly in cooking or salads for flavour and texture such as thyme, oregano, sage and coriander. To grow and harvest healthy herbs, follow these tips:

- Plant after early spring (frost and cold weather can impede proper growth).
- Avoid soggy soil; it causes plant rot.
- Plant in nutrient-rich soil.
- Choose a full sun, minimal shade area for planting.
- Avoid overcrowding; plants need air circulation.
- Space plants about 8-12 inches (20-30 cm) apart.
- Prune plants to encourage growth.

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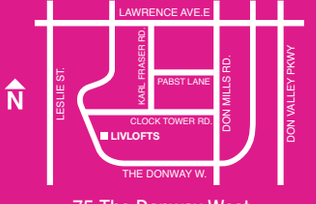

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4 sports

Boston OT party

Horton's goal in overtime gives Bruins series victory over rivals from Montreal

BRUINS	CANADIENS
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▶ Montreal Canadiens centre Jeff Halpern looks up as Boston players celebrate the game-winning goal by Nathan Horton.

Nathan Horton scored 5:43 into overtime to give the Boston Bruins a 4-3 victory over the Montreal Canadiens last night in Game 7 of their first-round playoff series.

The Bruins will play the Philadelphia Flyers in the Eastern Conference semi-finals for the second consecutive year.

Tim Thomas stopped 34 shots for the Bruins, who recovered after losing the first two games of the series at home. Boston had never won a playoff series after trailing 0-2 in 26 tries.

Carey Price stopped 30 shots for Montreal, which erased deficits of 2-0 and 3-2 in Game 7.

Horton scored with a slapshot off a pass from Milan Lucic, setting off a celebration on the Bruins bench and in the stands. It was Boston's third overtime win in the series, including Game 5 on Saturday night when Horton scored 9:03 into the second extra period.

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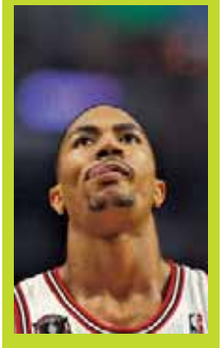

"Last year, we were just saying, 'How are we going to win this game? Do we have a chance? We really didn't have a chance. This year, we have a chance to win almost every game that we go in."

BULLS POINT GUARD DERRICK ROSE. CHICAGO'S GAME 5 FIRST-ROUND WIN OVER INDIANA IN TUESDAY MARKED JUST THE SECOND TIME THE FRANCHISE HAS WON A PLAYOFF SERIES SINCE THE DAYS OF MICHAEL JORDAN.

Scan code for more sports

TFC makes easy work of Edmonton squad

Maicon Santos scored twice as Toronto FC defeated FC Edmonton 3-0 in the first leg of the Nutrilite Canadian Championships yesterday.

Alan Gordon also scored for Toronto, with the return leg taking place in Toronto May 4.

The winner of this series will take on the victor of the other semi-final between Montreal and Vancouver for the right to represent Canada in the 24-team CONCACAF Champions League.

Toronto had the bulk of the early opportunities, the best of which came in the 10th minute on a free kick near the top of the Edmonton box but Santos sailed the shot well over the Edmonton goal.

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Sports in brief

Selke finalists announced

NHL. Centres Pavel Datsyuk of Detroit, Vancouver's Ryan Kesler and Jonathan Toews of Chicago were named Frank Selke Trophy nominees yesterday.

The award is given to the NHL's top defensive forward. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Knicks stick with Billups

NBA. The New York Knicks announced they are keeping point guard Chauncey Billups for next season. He will earn $14.2 million for his first full season with Amare Stoudemire and Carmelo Anthony.

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NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Washington (1) vs. N.Y. Rangers (8)
(Washington wins 4-1)
Philadelphia (2) vs. Buffalo (7)
(Philadelphia wins 4-3)
Tuesday's result
Philadelphia 5 Buffalo 2
Boston (3) vs. Montreal (6)
(Boston wins 4-3)
Last night's result
Boston 4 Montreal 3 (OT)
Tuesday's result
Montreal 2 Boston 1
Pittsburgh (4) vs. Tampa Bay (5)
(Series tied 3-3)
Last night's result
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Vancouver (1) vs. Chicago (8)
(Vancouver wins 4-3)
Tuesday's result
Vancouver 2 Chicago 1 (OT)
San Jose (2) vs. Los Angeles (7)
(San Jose wins 4-2)
Detroit (3) vs. Phoenix (6)
(Detroit wins 4-0)
Anaheim (4) vs. Nashville (5)
(Nashville wins 4-2)
x — if necessary.

BRUINS 4, CANADIENS 3 (OT)

First Period
1. Boston, Boychuk 1 (Marchand, Bergeron) 3:31
2. Boston, Recchi 1 (Ference) 5:33
3. Montreal, Weber 2 (Hamrlik, Cammalleri) 9:49 (pp)
Penalties — Ryder Bos (hooking) 8:22, Thornton Bos (elbowing) 16:02, Kostitsyn Mtl (high-sticking) 17:59.
Second Period
4. Montreal, Plekanec 2, 5:50 (sh)
Penalties — Eller Mtl (cross-checking) 4:41, Boychuk Bos (boarding) 18:12.
Third Period
5. Boston, Kelly 3 (Ference, Peverley) 9:44
6. Montreal, Subban 2 (Plekanec, Gionta) 18:03 (pp)
Penalty — Bergeron Bos (high-sticking) 17:23.
First Overtime
7. Boston, Horton 3 (Lucic, McQuaid) 5:43
Penalties — None.
Shots

Montreal	9	12	11	5	—37
Boston	9	7	13	5	—34

Goal — Montreal: Price (L,3-4-0); Boston: Thomas (W,4-3-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Montreal: 2-4; Boston: 0-2.
Referees — Tim Peel, Kelly Sutherland. **Linesmen** — Pierre Racicot, Jean Morin.
Attendance — 17,565 (17,565).

TUESDAY

CANUCKS 2, HAWKS 1 (OT)

First Period
1. Vancouver, Burrows 2 (Kesler, Raymond) 2:43
Penalty — Seabrook Chi (cross-checking) 16:21.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalty — Hansen Vcr (tripping) 10:18.
Third Period
2. Chicago, Toews 1 (Hossa, Seabrook) 18:04 (sh)
Missed penalty shot — Burrows Vcr, 0:21.
Penalty — Keith Chi (hooking) 16:43.
First Overtime
3. Vancouver, Burrows 3, 5:22
Penalty — Burrows Vcr (holding) 0:24.
Shots

Chicago	12	6	13	1	—32
Vancouver	8	15	12	3	—38

Goal — Chicago: Crawford (L,3-4-0); Vancouver: Luongo (W,4-3-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Chicago: 0-2; Vancouver: 0-2.
Referees — Paul Devorski, Steve Kozari. **Linesmen** — Greg Devorski, Jay Sharrers.
Att. — 18,860 (18,860) at Vancouver.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Cammalleri, Mtl	3	6	9
Giroux, Pha	1	8	9
St. Louis, TB	4	4	8
Perry, Ana	2	6	8
Briere, Pha	6	1	7
Selanne, Ana	6	1	7
D.Sedin, Vcr	5	2	7
Clowe, SJ	4	3	7
Gagne, TB	2	5	7
Gragnani, Buf	1	6	7
S.Koivu, Ana	1	6	7
Keith, Chi	4	2	6
Burrows, Vcr	3	3	6
Fisher, Nash	3	3	6
Ovechkin, Wash	3	3	6
P.Bergeron, Bos	2	4	6
Bolland, Chi	2	4	6
Datsyuk, Det	2	4	6
Getzlaf, Ana	2	4	6
Hossa, Chi	2	4	6
Lecavalier, TB	2	4	6
Downie, TB	1	5	6
P.Kane, Chi	1	5	6
Myers, Buf	1	5	6
Vanek, Buf	5	0	5
Doan, Phx	3	2	5
Clifford, LA	3	2	5
Sharp, Chi	3	2	5
Ward, Nash	3	2	5
S.Weber, Nash	3	2	5
Couture, SJ	2	3	5
Frolik, Chi	2	3	5
Kelly, Bos	2	3	5
Marleau, SJ	2	3	5
Richardson, LA	2	3	5
Smyth, LA	2	3	5
J.Thornton, SJ	2	3	5
Vrbata, Phx	2	3	5
Brewer, TB	1	4	5
Filpula, Det	1	4	5
Green, Wash	1	4	5
Ja.Johnson, LA	1	4	5
Meszaros, Pha	1	4	5
Purcell, TB	1	4	5
Tootoo, Nash	1	4	5
M.Richards, Pha	0	5	5
H.Sedin, Vcr	0	5	5
Versteeg, Pha	0	5	5
I.White, SJ	0	5	5

Last night's games not included

FIGURE SKATING

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Moscow
Men's Short Program
1. Patrick Chan, Toronto, 93.02 points; 2. Nobunari Oda, Japan, 81.81; 3. Daisuke Takahashi, Japan, 80.25; 4. Artur Gachinski, Russia, 78.34; 5. Florent Amodio, France, 77.64; 6. Takahiko Kozuka, Japan, 77.62; 7. Tomas Verner, Czech Republic, 75.94; 8. Michal Brezina, Czech Republic, 77.50; 9. Brian Joubert, France, 71.29; 10. Denis Ten, Kaz., 71.00; **19. Kevin Reynolds, Coquitlam, B.C., 64.36; 21. Joey Russell, Labrador City, N.L., 61.69**
Pairs Short Program
1. Pang Qing and Tong Jian, China, 74.00 points; 2. Aliona Savchenko and Robin Szolkowy, Germany, 72.98; 3. Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov, Russia, 70.35; 4. Vera Bazarova and Yuri Larionov, Russia, 64.64; 5. Yuko Kavaguti and Alexander Smirnov, Russia, 62.54; 6. Narumi Takahashi and Mervin Tran, Japan, 59.16; **7. Meagan Duhamel, Lively, Ont., and Eric Radford, Toronto, 58.83;** 8. Caitlin Yankowskas and John Coughlin, U.S., 58.76; 9. Stefania Berton and Ondrej Hotarek, Italy, 57.63; **10. Kirsten Moore-Towers and Dylan Moscovitch, Waterloo, Ont., 56.86**

TENNIS

ATP

BMW OPEN

At Munich
Singles — Second Round
Philipp Petzschner, Germany, def. Mikhail Youzhny (1), Russia, 7-6 (5), 3-6, 6-2.
Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Marcos Baghdatis (4), Cyprus, 3-6, 7-6 (6), 6-2.
Potito Starace, Italy, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky (6), Ukraine, 6-4, 6-2.
Doubles — First Round
James Cerretani, U.S., and **Adil Shamasdin, Pickering, Ont.,** def. Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, and Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, 7-6 (3), 3-6, 10-8 tiebreak.

SERBIA OPEN

At Belgrade, Serbia
Singles — Second Round
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Adrian Ungur, Romania, 6-2, 6-3.
Albert Montanes (4), Spain, def. Michael Berrer, Germany, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Blaz Kavcic, Slovenia, def. Ricardo Mello, Brazil, 7-5, 6-3.
Feliciano Lopez, Spain, def. Fernando Gonzalez, Chile, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

ATP-WTA

ESTORIL OPEN

At Oeiras, Portugal
Men's Singles — Second Round
Robin Soderling (1), Sweden, def. Jeremy Chardy, France, 6-1, 6-7 (4), 6-1.
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, def. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (3), France, 6-3, 5-7, 7-5.
Thomaz Bellucci (6), Brazil, def. Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, 6-3, 5-7, 7-5.
Juan Martin del Potro (8), Argentina, def. Alejandro Falla, Colombia, 6-2, 6-1.
Women's Singles — Second Round
Alisa Kleybanova (1), Russia, def. Mathilde Johansson, France, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.
Jarmila Gajdosova (2), Australia, def. Casey Dellacqua, Australia, 6-2, 6-4.
Klara Zakopalova (3), Czech Republic, def. Anastasiya Yakimova, Belarus, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.
Kristina Barrois, Germany, def. Elena Vesnina (6), Russia, 6-4, 6-3.
Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, def. Greta Arn (8), Hungary, 6-2, 1-0, retired.
Alla Kudryavtseva, Russia, def. Romina Oprandi, Italy, 6-4, 7-6 (3).
Johanna Larsson, Sweden, def. Urszula Radwanska, Poland, 6-4, 6-4.
Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Sloane Stephens, U.S., 6-4, 6-4.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	13	8	.619	—
Tampa Bay	11	11	.500	2½
Toronto	11	12	.478	3
Baltimore	10	12	.455	3½
Boston	10	13	.435	4

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	15	8	.652	—
Kansas City	12	12	.500	3½
Detroit	12	12	.500	3½
Minnesota	9	12	.429	5
Chicago	10	15	.400	6

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	14	9	.609	—
Los Angeles	14	11	.560	1
Oakland	12	13	.480	3
Seattle	10	15	.400	5

Last night's results
Baltimore 5 Boston 4
Seattle 10 Detroit 1
Oakland 2 L.A. Angels 1 (10 innings)
Cleveland 7 Kansas City 2
N.Y. Yankees 3 Chicago White Sox 1
Toronto at Texas
Tampa Bay at Minnesota
Tuesday's results
Toronto 10 Texas 3
Baltimore 4 Boston 1
Chicago White Sox 3 N.Y. Yankees 2
Seattle 7 Detroit 3
L.A. Angels 8 Oakland 3
Cleveland 9 Kansas City 4
Tampa Bay at Minnesota, ppd., rain
Today's games
All times Eastern
Seattle (Pineda 3-1) at Detroit (Penny 1-2), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 1-2) at Minnesota (Blackburn 1-3), 1:10 p.m., 1st game
Toronto (Morrow 0-1) at Texas (Ogando 3-0), 2:05 p.m.
Boston (Lester 2-1) at Baltimore (Bergesen 0-3), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (E.Jackson 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Davies 1-2) at Cleveland (Carmona 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Niemann 0-3) at Minnesota (S.Baker 1-2), 8:10 p.m., 2nd game
Tomorrow's games
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
Seattle at Boston, 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	16	8	.667	—
Florida	15	8	.652	½
Atlanta	13	13	.500	4
Washington	10	12	.455	5
New York	10	13	.435	5½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	12	11	.522	—
Cincinnati	13	12	.520	—
Milwaukee	12	12	.500	½
Pittsburgh	11	13	.458	1½
Chicago	10	13	.435	2
Houston	9	14	.391	3

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	16	7	.696	—
Los Angeles	13	13	.500	4½
San Francisco	11	12	.478	5
Arizona	10	13	.435	6
San Diego	9	16	.360	8

Yesterday's results
Cincinnati 7 Milwaukee 6 (10 innings)
Atlanta 7 San Diego 0
Philadelphia 8 Arizona 4
Pittsburgh 2 San Francisco 0
L.A. Dodgers 5 Florida 4 (10 innings)
Colorado at Chicago, ppd., rain
N.Y. Mets at Washington
St. Louis at Houston
Tuesday's results
San Francisco 3 Pittsburgh 2 (10 innings)
Florida 4 L.A. Dodgers 2
Colorado 4 Chicago Cubs 3
Houston 6 St. Louis 5
Arizona 7 Philadelphia 5
Atlanta 8 San Diego 2
Milwaukee 3 Cincinnati 2
N.Y. Mets 6 Washington 4
Today's games
All times Eastern
San Francisco (Vogelsong 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Karstens 2-0), 12:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Capuano 2-1) at Washington (L.Hernandez 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (McClellan 3-0) at Houston (Figueroa 0-3), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 1-2) at Arizona (Enright 0-2), 9:40 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
Florida at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

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NLL PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

DIVISIONAL SEMI-FINALS

EAST DIVISION
Saturday's game
Boston at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Rochester at Toronto, 3:30 p.m.
WEST DIVISION
Saturday's games
Colorado at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.

SOCCER

Yesterday's results
Home teams listed first

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Fulham 3 Bolton 0

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

SEMI-FINALS

(First Leg)
Real Madrid (Spain) 0 Barcelona (Spain) 2

NBA

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Chicago (1) vs. Indiana (8)
(Chicago wins 4-1)
Tuesday's result
Chicago 116 Indiana 89
Miami (2) vs. Philadelphia (7)
(Miami wins 3-1)
Last night's result
Miami 97 Philadelphia 91
Boston (3) vs. New York (6)
(Boston wins 4-0)
Orlando (4) vs. Atlanta (5)
(Atlanta leads 3-2)
Tuesday's result
Orlando 101 Atlanta 76
Tonight's game
Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's game
x-Atlanta at Orlando, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE

San Antonio (1) vs. Memphis (8)
(Memphis leads 3-1)
Last night's result
Memphis at San Antonio
Tomorrow's game
x-San Antonio at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-Memphis at San Antonio, TBD
L.A. Lakers (2) vs. New Orleans (7)
(L.A. Lakers lead 3-2)
Tuesday's result
L.A. Lakers 106 New Orleans 90
Tonight's game
L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday's game
x-New Orleans at L.A. Lakers, TBD
Dallas (3) vs. Portland (6)
(Dallas leads 3-2)
Tonight's game
Dallas at Portland, 10 p.m.
Saturday's game
x-Portland at Dallas, TBD
Oklahoma City (4) vs. Denver (5)
(Oklahoma City leads 3-1)
Last night's result
Denver at Oklahoma City
Tomorrow's game
x-Oklahoma City at Denver, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-Denver at Oklahoma City, TBD
x — if necessary.

CYCLING

TOUR DE ROMANDIE

At Leysin, Switzerland
Second stage
1. Pavel Brutt, Russia, Katusha, 4 hours, 27 minutes, 41 seconds; 2. Oleksandr Kuachuk, Ukraine, Lampre-ISD, 0:56 behind; 3. Branislau Samoilau, Belarus, Movistar, 1:15; 4. Jack Bobridge, Australia, Garmin-Cervelo, 1:23;5. Damiano Cunego, Italy, Lampre-ISD, 1:59; 6. Benat Intxausti, Spain, Movistar, 2:01.
Overall Standings
1. Pavel Brutt, Russia, Katusha, 4 hr, 31 min, 26 sec; 2. Oleksandr Kuachuk, Ukraine, Lampre-ISD, 1:00 behind; 3. Branislau Samoilau, Belarus, Movistar, 1:22; 4. Jack Bobridge, Australia, Garmin-Cervelo, 1:31; 5. Alexandr Vinokourov, Kazakhstan, Astana, 2:04; 6. Gorka Verdugo, Spn., Euskaltel-Euskadi, same time;

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▶ Georges St-Pierre, left, poses with Jake Shields yesterday.

Reaching a new level

UFC card in Toronto makes history, shows giant steps made in MMA

Hall of Famer Randy (The Natural) Couture remembers his first taste of the UFC and marvels at what has transpired in the 14 years since UFC 13.

"To go from weighing in at the Holiday Inn with fighters and their seconds, literally in the lobby of the Holiday Inn, to what you're going to see on Friday is a remarkable journey," the 47-year-old MMA icon said yesterday ahead of his final fight.

Tomorrow's weigh-in for UFC 129 will be held at Ricoh Coliseum — which could easily accommodate the UFC 13 crowd — with Saturday's show and its

UFC 129

UFC-record 55,000 spectators set for the supersized Rogers Centre.

Mixed martial arts may still not be for everyone but, as Couture notes, the sport has come a long way.

"For a long time we were kind of the stepchildren, like, 'Oh my God, you're one of those cage-fighters,' and they'd take a big step back like somehow you were dangerous or a criminal."

Saturday's crowd will be "55,000 cool people that enjoy watching professional athletes compete," said UFC president Dana White.

Yesterday, welterweight champion Georges St-Pierre of Montreal, featherweight title-holder Jose Aldo, former light-heavyweight champion Lyoto (The Dragon) Machida and featherweight contender Mark Hominick of Thamesford, Ont., looked more like fashion models, decked out in suits.

Top MMA fighters may not make the jumbo purses of superstar boxers, but they do OK.

St-Pierre is expected to make upwards of $2 million US for his fight with Jake Shields Saturday.

"Now it's pretty good," he said of his pay.

"It's a young sport, it's not like boxing," he added.

The 29-year-old recalls making $1,300 for his January 2002 debut.

The official fight bonuses for Saturday's card will likely be six figures or close to it.

The UFC will likely be the biggest winner. The show has already produced a record gate of $11 million and White expects healthy pay-per-view numbers.

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Canucks put Blackhawks behind them, focus on Preds

While many people in this hockey-frenzied city were still talking about what the Vancouver Canucks had done, the players were focusing yesterday on what they need to accomplish next.

Beating the Chicago Blackhawks 2-1 in overtime of a thrilling Game 7 Tuesday night brought a sense of joy and relief to Vancouver. There won't be much time to bask in the bliss as the Canucks begin their Western Conference semifinal series against the Nashville Predators tonight at Rogers Arena.

"Our ultimate goal was not to win Round 1," said goaltender Roberto Luongo. "We are going to go as far as we can.

"We have a tough opponent coming in and we are going to get ready for that."

The Predators have been resting since eliminating the Anaheim Ducks Sunday in six games. It's the first time in the team's 13-year history that Nashville has advanced to the second round of the playoffs.

Canuck coach Alain Vigneault isn't worried about his team being emotionally and physically drained after their roller-coaster series against Chicago.

"The Chicago series was a tough one, both physically and mentally," said Vigneault. "I think the best thing for us is to get right back at it."

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▶ **Time:** 9 p.m.
Channel: CBC

The date for Game 2 of the best-of-seven series has not been announced by the league.

The Canucks won the Presidents' Trophy for having the best record in the NHL. Vancouver finished 18 points ahead of the Predators, who were the fifth-place team in the West.

There will be a change of pace playing the Predators. The series against Chicago was like a NASCAR race. Playing Nashville will be more like a tractor pull.

Nashville plays a grinding, physical game. The Predators bring a relentless forecheck; have a punishing defence in Norris Trophy finalist Shea Weber and Ryan Suter; and a goaltender in Pekka Rinne who is capable of stealing games.

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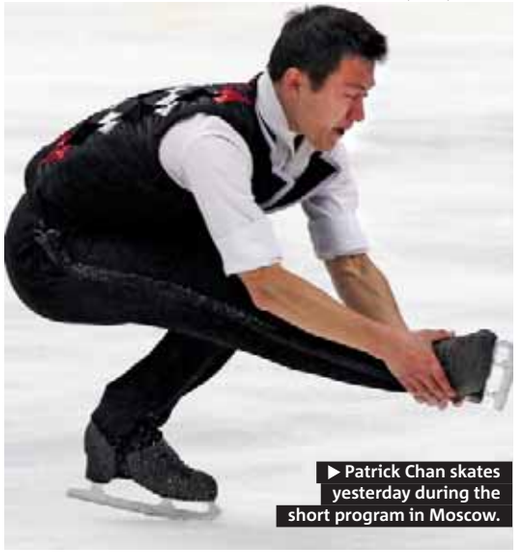

▶ Patrick Chan skates yesterday during the short program in Moscow.

Chan converts quads, doubters at worlds

Will need a near meltdown to miss gold after world record short program

A clear head, a clean performance — and perhaps a few games of Old Maid — are all that stand between Canada's Patrick Chan and his first world title.

The 20-year-old from Toronto laid down a dazzling world record skate in the short program yesterday in Moscow in his bid for the crown, building a lead so large that one of his competitors said it might take "a miracle" to beat him.

Now, it's all about keeping his wits about him.

"I think for me, being a very fun and easily distracted skater, it's very important for me to stay focused on my goals," said Chan, who played a couple of quick Old Maid card games before taking the ice to counter the pressure.

Then, skating to the smooth jazz stylings of Paul Desmond, Chan compiled a world record score of 93.02, opening with a perfect quadruple toe loop-triple toe combination, followed by a huge triple axel.

"I was really proud of myself," said Chan.

"It was a very big relief for me to be able to achieve something in these circumstances."

Chan takes a huge 12-point lead into today's free program ahead of second-place Nobunari Oda of Japan's 81.81 score.

Originally scheduled for March 21 in Tokyo, the worlds were rescheduled to Moscow after the March 11 Japan earthquake.

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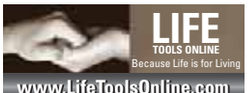
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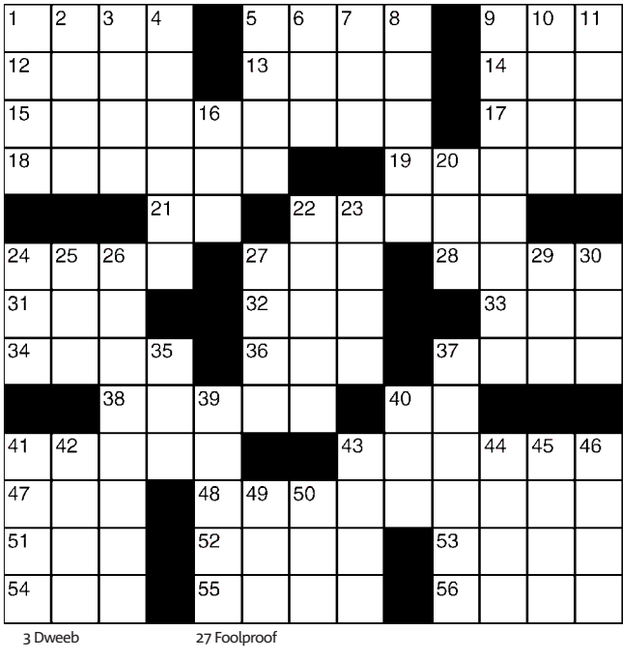

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22 Syrup provider
24 Chantilly, e.g.
27 Kenny G's instrument
28 On in years
31 "I — Rock"
32 Luau music provider
33 "— been had!"
34 Lancaster foe
36 Roulette bet
37 Option for 15-Across
38 "Unsafe at Any Speed" author
40 Italian river
41 "Remember the —!"
43 Water-boiling device
47 Off-roader, for short
48 Boutonniere, often
51 — jiffy
52 Floor in the ring
53 Show the way
54 Texter's "That's funny!"
55 "Pygmalion" writer
56 Sea flock

Down

1 Confront
2 Tehran's land
3 Dweeb
4 Viennese waterway
5 Jay's rival
6 Comic Philips
7 Prohibit
8 Brother of Moe
9 — Hall
10 PC picture
11 — good example
16 Anger
20 Carte intro
22 Smith
23 Pink-slipped
24 Deposit
25 Latin 101 word
26 Fair
27 Foolproof
29 Leading lady?
30 3, on the phone
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♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 The more you desire, the more you'll get. It's the perfect day.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Make sure you know how much you're worth, not just financially but intellectually, too.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Make an effort to make others feel special and they will make efforts that enrich you, too.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You'll get through a mountain of work today and people in positions of authority will be impressed.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Creatively and romantically this is one of the best days of the year. Make it count.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You know what needs to be done and you know that now is the time to get on and do it.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You don't want or need any help today. Do it yourself.

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